

Letter To CM

Dharamgarh-Kantabanji/Nuapada road rail through ORIDL for Biju Expressway industrial corridor

Dear Honourable Chief Minister Sri Patnaik, Sir, personally I had been writing to you to have a western border highway/expressway in the western bordering region of Odisha since 2007. I am very much thankful that you and the Odisha Government considered and established a Biju Expressway in a similar line in 2014. I am very happy to learn that you will be very soon inaugurating Biju Expressway and appreciate all your efforts. I also learned that the Odisha Government has the plan to establish an industrial corridor along the Biju Expressway, which is also praiseworthy and visionary. At the same time, Odisha Rail Infrastructure Development Limited (ORIDL) along with the railway ministry has approved having Jeypore-Nabarangpur and Bargarh-Nuapada road rail link and there is already a plan to have a similar rail link from Junagarh Road - Dharamgarh-Nabarangpur. Thus, only the Nuapada road/Kantabanji-Dharamgarh portion of the Biju Expressway is missing the rail link. For an industrial corridor, the rail link will be much more beneficial. There was a survey by railway for the Kantabanji-Dharamgarh-Koksara-Jeypore line, but as per railway sources, it's a loss-making project with low ROR. If ORIDL could take initiative in the similar way it took for Nabarangpur-Jeypore and Bargarh-Nuapada road and take Dharamgarh-Kantabanji/Nuapada road rail link, then Biju Expressway industrial corridor will have a parallel rail connection and interior part of Kalahandi, Nuapada, Padampur, Bargarh, Baragarh will be connected through rail. I urge you to kindly consider and take this issue with the railway ministry through ORIDL.

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PRESIDENT OF INDIA GRACES THE 14TH RASHTRIYA SANSKRITI MAHOTSAV AT BIKANER

New Delhi: The President of India, Smt Droupadi Murmu graced and addressed the 14th Rashtriya Sanskriti Mahotsav at Bikaner, Rajasthan today (February 27, 2023).

Speaking on the occasion, the President said that festivals like Rashtriya Sanskriti Mahotsav not only promote the art and culture of the country, but also strengthen the feeling of national unity. Such cultural events provide opportunities to people to know and understand our rich and prosperous culture and the characteristics of different regions.

The President said that combining technology with traditions and science with art is necessary. New experiments are being done in every field with the help of science and technology. Technology is also being adopted in the field of art and culture. We can widen the reach of our country's art, traditions and culture through new



technology. We all should be proud of India's rich and prosperous culture. At the same time, we should give place to new ideas and thinking in our traditions, so that we can connect our youth and future generations with these traditions. It is very important that our youth and children understand the importance of the precious heritage of the country.

The President said that we all know that change is the law of life. Changes in arts,

traditions and culture also come with time. It is natural for art style, lifestyle, dress, food and drink to change with time, but some basic values and principles should continue from generation to generation, only then we can keep Indianness alive. The spirit of 'Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam', peace and non-violence, love for nature, compassion for all living beings, moving ahead with determination - there are many values

??that bind all of us in one thread.

The President said that life and time of today's people are running very fast. That's why it is not easy to pass on the heritage of our art and culture to the coming generations. She urged the prominent personalities, scholars, art lovers and artists to find ways and techniques so that today's generation, especially youth and children, could understand and learn the art and culture.

Odisha CM Meets Industrialist Mukesh Ambani In Mumbai

Bhubaneswar(KCN): Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik, who is on a visit to Mumbai, today met Reliance Industries CMD Mukesh Ambani.

5T Secretary VK Pandian and Industries department Secretary Hemant Sharma were present during the Chief Minister's meeting with the Reliance CMD. "The Chief Minister met industrialist Mukesh Ambani to discuss the strengths of Odisha as an investment destination and the future investment plans of Reliance Industries in the state," said a statement by the Odisha government.



AIIMS Bhubaneswar plans to conduct training programmes to manage acute & chronic wounds for primary caregivers



Bhubaneswar: Primary caregivers i.e. Doctors, paramedics, and nursing staff need to focus on prevention and management of Diabetic foot ulcers, pressure sore, traumatic wounds, venous ulcers like wounds at home setting. This will certainly benefit the society at large. For more such training over this, a team of AIIMS Bhubaneswar comprising experts from Department of Trauma & Emergency, General Surgery and College of Nursing has planned to conduct training programmes in future to teach and involve primary caregivers from Bhubaneswar and peripheral health centers to spread the knowledge in managing acute and chronic wounds, informed AIIMS Bhubaneswar Executive Director Dr. Ashutosh Biswas while speaking in a workshop organized by Departments of Trauma & Emergency, General Surgery and College of

Nursing on advanced wound care for Nurses, Primary caregivers & Paramedics. The workshop on advanced wound care witnessed participants from different hospitals, including AIIMS, CRPF, KIMS, multiple PHCs and many other hospitals. The programme was a one-day training that covers a range of theoretical constructs and a practical hands-on activity related to managing and caring for acute and chronic wounds. The program was inaugurated by AIIMS Bhubaneswar Executive Director Dr. Ashutosh Biswas and attended by DEAN Dr. P. R. Mohapatra, Dean, Medical Superintendent Dr. D. K. Parida, Principal, College of Nursing Dr. Asha P. Shetty, HoD Trauma & Emergency Dr. Chitta Ranjan Mohanty, HOD General Surgery Dr. Manas Ranjan Sahoo. Assessing the wounds and planning for

appropriate intervention for healing is one of the vital responsibilities of the nurse. She needs to take measures to ensure all health care workers practice infection prevention measures for healthy healing of the wound, stressed the experts. Among others Dr. Sushma Sagar from JPNATC, Shijomol M Joseph and Vennila R from AIIMS New Delhi also graced the occasion. The organizing committee comprising Dr. Pankaj Kumar (General Surgery), Dr. Ritesh Panda (Trauma & Emergency-Plastic Surgery), Dr. Saroj Patra (Orthopedics), Serma Subhathra, Seema Rani Panda and Suhadra Jadav (senior nursing officers) emphasized on developing the competencies of primary caregivers and nurses in advanced wound care techniques, thus improving patients' comprehensive surgical nursing care.

PM Modi Releases Over ₹ 16,000 Crore For 8 Crore Farmers Under PM-KISAN

Belagavi: Prime Minister Narendra Modi today released the 13th instalment of over ₹ 16,000 crore, under the Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi (PM-KISAN), through direct benefit transfer to more than eight crore beneficiaries.

Under the scheme, eligible farmer families are provided ₹ 6,000 per year in three equal instalments of ₹ 2,000 each. During the programme, PM Modi also dedicated the redeveloped Belagavi Railway Station building, to the nation. The railway station has been redeveloped at an approximate cost of about ₹ 190 crore to provide world-class amenities to the passengers.

Another railway project that was dedicated to the nation by the Prime Minister is the rail line doubling project between Londa-Belagavi-Ghataprabha section at Belagavi.

This project, developed at a cost of about ₹ 930 crore, will enhance line capacity along the busy Mumbai - Pune - Hubballi - Bengaluru railway line, leading to promotion of trade, commerce and economic activities in the region, according to an official release.

PM Modi also laid the foundation stone of six multi-village scheme projects under the Centre's Jal Jeevan Mission in Belagavi, which will be developed at a cumulative cost of about ₹ 1,585 crore and



benefit about 8.8 lakh people living in more than 315 villages.

Karnataka Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai, Union Minister of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare Narendra Singh Tomar, and Union Parliamentary Affairs Minister Pralhad Joshi, Union Minister of state Shobha Karandlaje, ministers of the state government, among others were present at the event.

PM Modi is on a day-long visit to Karnataka, where Assembly polls are due in May. He inaugurated the greenfield Shivamogga airport earlier in the day. The Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi (PM-KISAN) scheme, launched by Modi in 2019, aims to provide income support to all landholder farmer families across the country with cultivable land, subject to specific

exclusions.

All landholding farmer families in the country are eligible under PM-KISAN, subject to certain exclusion criteria. Till now, over ₹ 2.25 lakh crore funds have been disbursed to more than 11 crore farmer families, primarily the small and marginal.

According to officials, during the Covid lockdown, ₹ 1.75 lakh crore were distributed in multiple instalments to support these farmers facing hardship. The scheme has also benefited over three crore women beneficiaries who have collectively received over ₹ 53,600 crore in funds.

The 11th and 12th instalments under the scheme were given in May and October last year.

Naba Das murder case: Tara says 'planned' murder'; Saluja seeks SIT probe, BJP harps on CBI probe

Bhubaneswar(KCN): With the Crime Branch yet to unravel the mystery surrounding the murder of Odisha Health Minister Naba Das, Congress and BJP MLAs are leaving no stone unturned to target the ruling BJD-led Odisha government over the issue. The issue of murder of Naba Das was raised during the Zero Hour of the Odisha Assembly on Monday. Congress MLA Tara Prasad Bahinipati brought serious



allegations by terming Naba Das killing as a 'planned murder.' According to Tara Prasad Bahinipati, people are not happy with the ongoing investigation by the Crime Branch. So far the

ongoing investigation is only limited to finding out whether the accused and dismissed Assistant Sub-Inspector (ASI) Gopal Das is mentally unstable or not, he said while demanding Speaker's ruling for a

statement by the Minister of State (MoS) Home. On the other hand, Congress MLA Santosh Singh Saluja alleged that even so many days after the brutal murder of Naba Das, the hands of the Crime Branch are empty as there is still mystery whether the killing was due to political or business rivalry. Saluja further stated there seems to be a dispute between the groups of late minister Naba Das and Bhatli MLA Sushant Singh.

Hence, Bhatli MLA should also be brought under the purview of the ongoing investigation and the government should order a probe by a Special Investigation Team (SIT). While raising the Naba Das murder issue, BJP MLA Subhash Panigrahi also demanded a CBI probe. "Only the Crime Branch investigation is focused on Gopal Das and his mental condition. The probe should be carried out on several aspects.

Gold Reserves Detected In Three Districts Of Odisha: Steel And Mines Minister

Bhubaneswar(KCN): With Odisha having a vast reservoir of mineral wealth, gold reserves have now been detected in three districts of the State, informed Steel and Mines Minister Prafulla Mallik here on Monday. Sharing the information in response to a query by Dhenkanal MLA Sudhir Kumar Samal during the ongoing budget session of the Assembly, Mallik said presence of the precious metal was detected in Deogarh, Keonjhar and Mayurbhanj districts of Odisha following



surveys by the Directorate of Mines and Geology and Geological Survey of India (GSI). "The State Mines and Geology Directorate through a preliminary survey have found gold reserves at various places in Deogarh, Mayurbhanj

and Keonjhar districts. Details of the discovery have been furnished in Annexure-A," he said. In Mayurbhanj, Jashipur, Saraguda, Ruansi, Idelkucha, Badampahar and Suleipat (Dhusura hill) were found to have reserves of gold. In

Idellucha-Mareidhi-Badampahar area, the survey found 0.1-2.6 gram gold per 1 tonne of Auriferous lode (rocks containing the metal). In Suleipat area, the State Mines and Geology Directorate had detected 0.1 - 0.8 gram gold per 1 tonne of rock spread across 2.3 km in conglomerate horizon of Dhusura hill in 1970-71. Similarly, in Deogarh district's Adas, 1685 kg gold was detected in copper ore. Along with gold, 6.67 million tonne

copper, 0.638 million tonne silver and 0.10 million tonne nickel were found in the area. In Keonjhar, areas like Gopur, Gajipur, Kusakala, Adal and Saleikana, Dimirimunda and Karadanga of Telkoi were found to be in possession of the precious metal reserves. Between 1977-1983, geologists found 1 gram gold per tonne in two quartz vein in Telkoi tehsil of the district. In Gopur, the 60 metre long and 1 metre wide quartz vein contained 2.5-10 gram gold per tonne.

Keonjhar / Bhubaneswar: An adult Royal Bengal Tiger (RBT) was detected today in the Patana forest range of Keonjhar district, PCCF (Wildlife) Sushil Kumar Popli informed.



The movement of the big cat has been captured on camera and the photos have gone viral on social media. The detection of RBT has brought good news for animal lovers. According to the senior forest official, the age of the RBT would be around four years. It is suspected that the tiger has entered Patana forest from Similipal and it was on its way back when the

movement was captured. Keonjhar forest department is alert following the detection of the big cat. A number of teams have been deployed to monitor the tiger's movement in the forest and CCTV cameras are being installed for the purpose. "Villagers of the fringe areas have nothing to panic about as the forest department has been

keeping a strict vigil on the movement of the RBT. We have alerted the locals for their safety," the PCCF said. This is not the first time that an RBT was spotted in Keonjhar forests. Perhaps, the adult tiger is now making its own territory. The department has taken it as a mission to protect the tiger, PCCF (Wildlife) Popli added.

Ex-Army Jawan Wins Hearts In Odisha By Offering Free Rides To Poor



Angul(KCN): A former Army Jawan won many hearts in Odisha by offering free rides to poor patients in his battery-operated rickshaw to hospitals in Angul district. Narendra Kumar Dehury, a resident of Shankhapur village in Angul district, has become talk of the town in Bantala for his philanthropic service. The 46-year-Jawan, who had been protecting the country's border during

his service in Indian Army, decided to provide free transportation service to poor patients after his retirement. According to reports, Dehury had joined Indian Army in 1995. He served the nation during his postings on borders in the states including Punjab, Manipur and Rajasthan. Serving the nation for 24 years, he retired from service as the Havildar in 2019. Post-retirement, he

wanted to serve people of his village. As per statement of Dehury, an incident showed him the path to step into the philanthropic act. "After retirement, I saw sufferings of people at my locality. Even I had many issue on my domestic front. Once my wife fell sick. When I approached to avail a public transport to the hospital, an autorickshaw driver denied to help me stating he has another passenger

for the service and the fare will not meet his satisfaction. On that day, I decided to do something for poor people. I wanted to provide them free ride service to the hospitals at low investment for which I bought an Elite battery vehicle." said Dehury. Many villagers have benefited from the free transportation service offered by Dehury in last four months. He has carried around 50 people belonging to economically weaker section in his battery-operated vehicle to Banta Community Health Centre and Angul District Headquarters without charging to them for his service. Dehury said that he will continue offering the free service whenever a poor person will ask for help to visit the hospital.

MCL lifts AIPS Golf championship trophy 2022-23



Sambalpur: Mahanadi Coalfields Limited (MCL) has lifted the Championship Trophy of All India Public Sector Golf Tournament 2022-23 while teams of Paradip Port Authority and NLC India Ltd settled with first and second position. Shri M Nagaraju, IAS, Additional Secretary to Government of India, inaugurated the AIPS

Golf Tournament 2022 on Saturday. Organised by MCL under aegis of All India Public Sector Sports Control Board at Mahanadi Golf Club course here, the tournament witnessed participation of 52 golfers from nine organisations. Shri OP Singh, CMD, MCL, was the chief guest at the prize distribution ceremony

held on Sunday. Shri Keshav Rao, Director (Personnel), Shri PK Patel, CVO, MCL, Shri JK Borah, Director (Tech), Shri AK Behura, Director (Finance) were also present. MCL Team comprising Shri Jeetendra Kumar, Shri Bhagwat Nayak, Shri Vinayak D Jamwal, and Shri S K Bhoina, won the Team Championship Trophy.

Meanwhile, Team comprising Shri Bablu Sikdar, Shri Deepak Kumar Sarangi, Shri AC Sutar and Shri DN Sondhi from Paradip Port Authority and Shri K Manoharan, Shri J Vishwanathan, Shri P Ramesh and Shri P Sethumadhavan from NLC India won the 1st and 2nd runners up trophies respectively.

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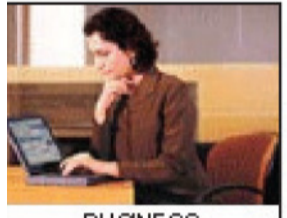
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Dr CK Ramesh Performs Kantara's 'Varaha Roopam' Song In Front Of PM Narendra Modi At Cultural Festival

Hombale Films 'Kantara' have made a lot of buzz with their success since their release. While the film has received a lot of love and admiration from all over the world, our honorable Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the 'Barisu Kannada Dim Dimava' cultural festival on Saturday, when Dr. CK Ramesh and his team performed on Kantara's Varah Rupam in front of him.

This cultural festival was held at Talkatora Stadium in Delhi at 5 PM. He also addressed the gathering in the evening. This cultural festival was organized to celebrate Karnataka's culture, traditions, and history. It also drew parallels with the Prime Minister's vision of 'Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat'.



Dr. CK Ramesh performing 'Varaha Roopam' song in front of PM Narendra Modi at the cultural festival.



PM Narendra Modi at the cultural festival.

loggerheads with an upright Forest Range officer, Murali (Kishore). Kambala is an annual race, held from November to March in coastal Karnataka, in which a jockey drives a pair of buffaloes, tied to the plough, through parallel muddy tracks. 'Kantara' was released in the Kannada version and Hindi version on 30th September and 14th October respectively. The film is written and directed by Rishab Shetty. Produced by Vijay Kiragandur and Chaluve Gowda, under Hombale Films, the film features Rishab Shetty, Saphami Gowda, and Kishore Kumar G in pivotal roles.

Pathaan Box Office Collections: SRK-Deepika's Film Continues Its Historic Run, Earns Rs 1016 Cr Gross Worldwide



Yash Raj Films' 'Pathaan', directed by Siddharth Anand, is a historic all-time blockbuster and is already the highest grossing Hindi film worldwide with collections at Rs 1016 crore gross till today. 'Pathaan' is on a brilliant run at the domestic and overseas box office since its release. The film on its fifth Saturday was again rock-steady at the box office and held up strongly. It collected 1.98 crore net in India (Hindi - 1.95 crore, All Dubbed versions - 0.03 crore). 'Pathaan' has now recorded \$46.58 million

in the overseas territories alone, while net collection in India stands at 523.16 crore (Hindi - 505.05 crore, Dubbed - 18.11 crore). The total worldwide gross is an incredible Rs 1016 crore (India gross : Rs 633 crore, overseas: Rs 383 crore). 'Pathaan' stars superstar Shah Rukh Khan in the titular role while John Abraham plays the antagonist Jim. Deepika Padukone essays the role of ISI Agent Rubina Mohsin. Ever since its release, the film has been enjoying huge footfalls in cinema halls and has been a

massive success. 'Pathaan' marks Shah Rukh Khan's return to the movies after a long hiatus of four years. He was last seen in Aanand L Rai's 'Zero' in 2018 alongside Katrina Kaif and Anushka Sharma, however, it had failed to impress the audience. Prior to the release of 'Pathaan', there was a boycott campaign against the film on Deepika Padukone's saffron-coloured outfit in 'Besharam Rang' song. However, all this did not affect its box office numbers as 'Pathaan' received a massive response from viewers.

'Raw, Uncontrolled, Craft Still Undefined': Shah Rukh Khan Reflects Back On 'Kabhi Haan Kabhi Naa'

He is a man of words and he never goes wrong with his words. Shah Rukh Khan took the internet by storm with his Sunday musing. He posted a still from 'Kabhi Haan Kabhi Naa' with

in India and a director who I miss every day! Taught me that sometimes u lose the moment.... but win everything else...I am sure somewhere, some world Sunil did too!!"

Kundan Shah. Apart from Shah Rukh, Suchitra Krishnamoorthi, and Deepak Tijori, and Satish Shah played pivotal roles in the movie. According to

to win over Anna (Suchitra), but the girl fell for Chris (Deepak). Soon after Shah Rukh shared the post, celebs rushed to his comment section. Varun Dhawan wrote, "Fav." Vaani Kapoor, Rajkumar Rao and Shruti Haasan posted love emojis. Farha Khan wrote, "My favourite film! I miss the director too." Shah Rukh tasted a much-awaited success with the terrific run of 'Pathaan' at the box office since its release. The movie has already minted a thousand crore rupees globally. Celebrated as a romantic hero, Shah Rukh tried the action genre in this thriller, which is a part of the spy-verse created by Yash Raj films. Deepika Padukone and John Abraham also acted in the movie and garnered love from the audience.



Shah Rukh Khan playing a trumpet in a scene from 'Kabhi Haan Kabhi Naa'.

The film still features Sunil (played by Shah Rukh in the film) playing the trumpet while his eyes are fixed on the sky. 'Kabhi Haan Kabhi Naa' is directed by

critics and movie-buffs, this 90s movie has an innate innocence and charm which was also embodied by Sunil, the character in the movie. Sunil tried every means

Director Aanand L Rai Expresses Gratitude As Kangana Ranaut-R Madhavan's 'Tanu Weds Manu' Clocks 12 Years

12 years ago as we transitioned into spring, Aanand L Rai & Colour Yellow Productions' most iconic film 'Tanu Weds Manu' starring R Madhavan and Kangana Ranaut witnessed a theatrical release that roared loud with its box office success. Kangana delivered yet another impactful performance and was applauded by the audience. R Madhavan once again won hearts with his stunning performance. The lead duo's on-screen chemistry was loved by the audience. The film received praise from critics & viewers alike. Aanand L Rai & Colour Yellow Productions' Tanu Weds Manu created a buzz like no other making it one of the most successful films of the year and the most iconic ones in Indian cinema. Speaking about the film, Aanand L Rai says, "The response this beautiful story received is unmatched. The film is



still relatable to a wide audience even today & that's what a beautiful story does. It leaves an impact every time. I can't believe the film has completed twelve years today. Gratitude only for all the love & support." The film has what it took to be a successful entertainer. It was a balance of comedy, romance, and drama which ran at perfect pace with the storyline written by Himanshu Sharma with interesting twists and turns. His latest venture into the regional cinema with Aatma pamphlet traveled across the globe & was screened at the Berlin Film Festival where a global audience

appreciated the brilliant storyline. Rai is pinning India on the global map with back-to-back creatively strong stories. Some of Aanand L Rai & Colour Yellow Productions' successful films include 'Ranjhanaa', 'Tumbbad', 'Happy Bhag Jayegi', 'Tanu Weds Manu', 'Shubh Mangal Zyada Saavdhan', 'Newton', and 'Manmarziyaan' to name a few. Following the success in the regional cinema is the recently announced second installment of one of the highest grossers of 2022, 'Jhimma'. Taapsee Pannu starrer 'Phir Aayi Haseen Dillruba' is also in the making.

Malayalam Filmmaker Joseph Manu James Passes Away At 31



Malayalam director Joseph Manu James is no more. He was reportedly undergoing treatment for hepatitis and unfortunately lost his life on February 24. He was 31. What's more shocking is that his demise comes just a few days before the release of his debut film 'Nancy Rani'. Aju Varghese, who worked with Manu James in 'Nancy Rani', paid his heartfelt condolences after learning about his untimely demise. "Gone too soon brother. Prayers," Varghese wrote. Ahaana Krishna, who starred in Manu James' first film, too reacted to the news. "Rest in peace Manu! This shouldn't have happened to you," she wrote on Instagram Story. Manu debuted in the entertainment industry as a child actor. He worked as a child actor in the 2004 film 'I am Curious' directed by Sabu James. Manu James has also worked as an assistant director in Malayalam, Kannada, and Hindi film industries. His funeral was held on Sunday. The last rites were held on Sunday at Kuravilangad of Kerala's Kottayam district. Starting off as a child actor in 2004 in 'I am curious', Manu Joseph went on to become an assistant director in Malayalam, Kannada, and Hindi movies. The Malayalam film fraternity has expressed shock and dismay over the demise of the young filmmaker. Joseph Manu James is survived by his wife Naina, and siblings.

Men and women, in the paradigm of sex, adultery and justice

Dwit David Philip



"Missing Man", is the search for the one who used women as an object, is he caught hold of? The most beautiful creation of the earth, is created at the end of creation as depicted in Judaic religion. But irrespective of religions, women has been objectified excluding the primitive or ethnic tribes. The gender discourse wants to free the captive. The tools for gender analysis primarily are, Access and Control Profile, Activity Profile and Decision making on benefits. These three tools demonstrate the status of girl children and women in a given society. Harvard gender analysis framework is an eye-opener. So far activity profile is concerned, by this one knows engagement of males and females in household and in earning activities of family in a day, month and year. Who enjoyed more free time who has less free time. Who helps more to the counter part etc. To sensitize the target

community or group, one prefers to ask the training participants 'who sleeps at the end and who raises from bed earliest.' 'who cooks and who serves' etc. So far access and control profile is concerned, one asks, in whose name properties and goods are purchased and disposed. And who takes final decision in purchases and disposals. Even in life cycle of family life like, child bearing, child delivery place time and birth space, child-rearing, their marriage, 'who takes decisions'. These questions and discussion reveals the position and status of wo/men. So far own physical body is concerned, who takes decisions on each other's body. Many studies have said that a female is under father till marriage, after husband and after old age or becoming widow under the son. (if the female has a son). During conjugal life, who dominates, who leads, who follow, from marriage rituals to meeting time till children are reared. The above said family picture is beautiful, till both enjoy their sex driven and gender driven role. Gender is a social construct. And

sex is a physical construct. Gender role can be played interchangeably but sex role can't like pregnancy, breast feeding, But the point of concern is, whether the role played, decision made and things owned are hindering the scope of development, freedom and recreational time of each counter part. Is it under utilizing, underutilizing or over utilizing the capacity and capabilities of a counter parts. The best question in this front is, who is loosing and who is winning. Or both are in win-win situation and complementary and supplementary to each other. The above discussion is unveiling family and community life of any society. But beyond these there is an ethical world where moralities and spirituality is existing that determines and directs the life of human being of both male and female genders. Judaic religion in general and Christianity in particular has peculiar examples in their religious books. It is quoted here due to their global presence and now they constitute the major faith group in the world. Moses the chosen prophet of God says in

DEUTERONOMY 22:21, "she shall be brought to the door of her father's house and there the men of her town shall stone her to death. She has done an outrageous thing in Israel by being promiscuous while still in her father's house. You must purge the evil from among you." Question rises is adultery committed unilaterally by women. As per Jesus In Matthew 5:27-28, Jesus said, "You have heard that it was said, 'You shall not commit adultery'; but I say to you that everyone who looks on a woman to lust for her has committed adultery with her already in his heart." Adultery is not done instantly. It occurs between two individuals. Forcefully or voluntarily, one of the two or a group plans and implements. The occurrence of adultery is not only religiously restricted also atheist looks it violation of civil liberty. It is legally punishable in the Acts of law. The question is, why only one is blamed and why in most of the cases women is blamed. Due to explosion of electronic media, there are evidences of adulteries in worst forms and quantum. There is sexual immoralities

like homosexual, intra and intersex activity. More so, there are sex activities in between human being and animal. Sex activity through electronic devices. In Bible, heterosexuality of human being is age-old and religious documents pronounce punishment against it. In Deuteronomy 23 "Don't have sex with an animal and violate yourself by it. "A woman must not have sex with an animal. That is perverse. Leviticus 18: 24-28 says "Don't pollute yourself in any of these ways. This is how the nations became polluted, the ones that I am going to drive out of the land before you. Even the land itself became polluted and I punished it for its iniquities—the land vomited up its inhabitants. You must keep my decrees and laws— natives and foreigners both. You must not do any of these abhorrent things. The people who lived in this land before you arrived did all these things and polluted the land. And if you pollute it, the land will vomit you up just as it vomited up the nations that preceded you. Contributory factors for unnatural and

extra ethical sexual activities. Biological factors such as age, gender, and race emerged as influential on sexual initiation on their own, as well as through moderating the relationships between other factors and outcomes. For example, as the age of youth increases, the likelihood of sexual initiation also increases. Food and social environment too contributes to sexual activities of an individual. Environmental factors — neighborhood, media, and policy contributes in building environment for sex or no sex. In Bible two personalities drew my attention relating to so called unethical sex. It was not acceptable in God's sight. One is Judah the fourth son of Jacob. And the other one is King David. As per Bible, Judah should give his son to her widow daughter-in-law but since Judah had three sons, Er, Onan, and Shelah. Er married Tamar, then died without having any sons. Onan then married Tamar, but also failed to produce any sons. By the law of levirate marriage, Shelah should then have married Tamar, but

Judah is fearful that she is the cause of his sons' deaths, so he refuses. He sends Tamar away to her father's house instead of providing a husband for her and thus providing for her livelihood like he should have.. What Tamar does in this Scripture passage is not right, but Judah's mistreatment of Tamar sets the scene for her deception. The poorly treated widow is going to get back at him who mistreated her. Genesis 38:12-26. Judah became victim of Tamar, but Judah had the intention to go for sex before getting on Tamar. When Tamar showed the evidence of the source of her pregnancy, Judah claims before the judiciary that Tamar as sinful. The second important person, God declares him, "a man after God's own heart" twice. 2 Samuel 11:2-4 writes, It happened late one afternoon that David got up from his bed and walked about on the roof of the king's house, and he saw a woman bathing on her roof. Now the woman was very beautiful. David sent and inquired about the woman, and someone said, "Is this not

Bathsheba the daughter of Eliam, the wife of Uriah the Hittite?" Then David sent messengers and took her, and she came to him, and he slept with her. (Now she had been purifying herself from her uncleanness.) And she returned to her house. The woman became pregnant, and she sent and told David, and she said, "I am pregnant." then David plots and kills his husband and later make Bathsheba as his wife. But when he was convicted by his councillor he admits his sin and repents before God. In both the cases we see social immoralities by married persons. In a male dominated society male do take advantage of situation but it is evident that female too do take advantage of situation so in spite of gender disparities, intention of the initiator and socio-psychological and physical background plays a role which need to be considered both in preventive and curative measures and for solutions for justice. (Information are from Google and Bible)

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612th Foundation Day of Ahmedabad City



Ahmedabad city was founded on 26 February 1411 and announced as the capital on 4 March 1411 by Ahmed Shah I of Gujarat Sultanate as a new capital. UNESCO has declared Ahmedabad (Gujarat) as World Heritage City. Really one feels proud of being Amdavadi. There are many who are not aware about the various heritage places in Ahmedabad. The names of various places Monuments are found only in tourism maps and Websites. Ahmedabad rose in stature and soon began to be called the "Garden city of

Hindustan". It flourished during the steady reign of the Sultans. The merchant class grew in affluence, and peace and stability began to attract a great number of people from surrounding areas. It is now the largest city in Gujarat and the seventh largest city in India. One would be surprised to know that Manek Chowk, named after Maneknath became the marketing complex of the new city. Kalupur, named after Begda's minister Abba Haji Kalu, consists of a mixed population of Jains and Muslims. Usmanpura was a prosperous suburb during the Badshah period, specializing in the trade of ghee and local medicines. The era of the Sultans in Gujarat has often been called the

"Golden age of Ahmedabad". Architecture has found its glory in Ahmedabad. Today, the masjid of Siddi Sayed and the design of "Jalis" has become the main advertising logos of the city. Our heritage is all that has been passed to us by previous generations. Cultural heritage is a legacy of physical artifacts and intangible attributes

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of a group or society – man-made heritage. It is disheartening to note that some people, forgetting that they are doing an irreparable damage to invaluable archaeological masterpieces by inscribe their initials, names, love messages on these national treasures. We must learn to value our inheritance for reasons

beyond their mere utility and their functional use. This is because each heritage is unique and exceptional; it is the responsibility of the current generation to preserve it. The conservation and protection of these monuments cannot be neglected any further.

It clearly shows that cities like Ahmedabad have emerged as the prime engines of the Indian economic growth and generators of national wealth. Ahmedabad is the best of India's mega-cities the commercial capital of Gujarat, Ahmedabad has progressed steadily over the years. The reasons for this could be attributed to uninterrupted and stable power supply, No water shortage, wide and maintained roads, friendly & traditional, yet progressive people, good educational and health facilities etc. The most important is the city is a heritage city with people still living in heritage buildings in the old city that has become hosts for some of the most modern management schools. People of Ahmedabad

are known for their cooperative attitude, entrepreneurship and aspiration for values. Graced by rich heritage and culture Ahmedabad offers values to the tradition and diversity. One would have observed that the Amdavadis are very fun loving and has a lot of respect for the traditions and customs of their community. It would be no exaggeration to say that in the whole world there exists no town so grand and beautiful like Ahmedabad. Ahmedabad after more than 600 years now make its presence on the international map. It is now regarded as a national pilgrimage, a symbol of non-violence and peace. People of Ahmedabad are known for their cooperative attitude, entrepreneurship and

aspiration for values. They have a great vision to take the city to dizzy heights with their business acumen and gentle mannerisms. One thing is certain that if the world today recognises Mahatma Gandhi as the apostle of peace, Ahmedabad had a major role in the making of the Mahatma. In the last 600 years, Ahmedabad has seen unpredictable changes and has developed into a mega-city which is at heart of Gujarat state's development. It is nice to see that though the city has changed over the years it has sealed its historical and cultural heritage.



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PM inaugurates and lays the foundation stone of multiple development projects at Shivamogga, in Karnataka

Governor, WB Hopes that Youths of the State will Lead the Race, Once NEP 2020 is Implemented Fully



Kolkata: "Once the National Education Policy 2020 is introduced in Bengal, the youths of the State will lead the race", said Dr. C.V. Ananda Bose, the Governor of West Bengal on Saturday (February 25, 2023) in a discussion programme organised by Merchants' Chamber of Commerce & Industry (MCCI) at Raj Bhavan on the National Education Policy 2020. The Governor addressed the session as the Chief Guest and Dr. Subhas Sarkar, the Union Minister of State for Education addressed as the Guest of Honour. Dr Bose in his address also stated that India is about to become a global superpower in economy, education and culture. He complemented the Centre for introducing the NEP 2020 at a very short span of time. He is hopeful that once

NEP 2020 is implemented, the youth of India will lead. He urged for the public and private participation in every field to take the nation forward. Dr Sarkar in his address said that to promote the sustainable development goal, under the leadership of the Prime Minister Narendra Modi, the Centre has announced National Educational Policy 2020 on July 29, 2020. There are five main pillars of NEP 2020, namely, Accessibility, Equity, Affordability, Quality and Ability. He requested everyone to be the brand ambassador of the National Educational Policy 2020. The Minister focused on holistic education through quality and continuing education. In Fundamental Literacy and Numerology, the

school education would be modified into new pedagogy and 5+3+3+4 curriculum. In the context of Teacher Education, NPE 2020 has focused on multidisciplinary teacher's training and four years integrated B.Ed courses will be the minimum qualification for the teachers. Dr. Sarkar mentioned that Sarva Shiksha Mission has been changed to Samagra Shiksha Mission. In India, already 1668 elementary schools have been upgraded to Higher Secondary schools. Under NEP 2020, the PM Schools have been launched for implementing Rising India. The Early Child Care initiative has also been launched and under this initiative. Besides, the Vidya Prabesh initiative for the play group children has been launched on July 29, 2021.

BJP's Khushbu Sundar Nominated As Member Of Women's Rights Body

New Delhi: Actor-turned-politician and BJP leader Khushbu Sundar has been nominated as a member of the National Commission for Women (NCW). Ms Sundar, a member of the BJP's national executive committee, posted the notification of her appointment on social media. She was congratulated by Tamil Nadu BJP president K Annamalai, who said her appointment was a recognition of her "relentless pursuit and fight" for women's rights. "I thank our H'ble PM @narendramodi ji and the government of India for entrusting me with such a huge responsibility. I shall strive hard to protect, preserve & nourish Nari Shakti which is growing leaps & bounds under your leadership. Looking forward eagerly. #JaiHind @NCWIndia," Ms Sundar tweeted. The actor, who is also a film producer and television presenter, had joined the DMK initially but moved to the Congress later and became the party's spokesperson. She eventually shifted to the BJP and contested the 2021 Tamil Nadu Assembly polls. She was defeated by DMK's N Ezhilan.

"By End Of 2024, UP Will Have America-Like Road Infrastructure": Minister

Ballia: Union Road Transport and Highways Minister Nitin Gadkari on Monday said before the end of 2024, Uttar Pradesh will have road infrastructure like in the US and the picture of the state will change with the development of roads. Mr Gadkari said UP will become the leading state in the country and called upon farmers to become a provider of food as well as energy. Earlier, Mr Gadkari inaugurated and laid the foundation stone of seven National Highway projects worth ₹ 6,500 crore at Chitbadgaon here. "The condition of roads in UP was not good before the year 2014. After the Narendra Modi government came to power, National Highway has increased from 7,643 km to 13,000 km in the state," Mr Gadkari said. "Before the end of the year 2024, Uttar Pradesh will have road infrastructure like in America. The state is growing very fast and its picture will change with the development of roads. The villages and the poor will be happy and prosperous in the state. The youth will also get employment and UP



will become the leading state in the country," he said. "Farmers should become food as well as energy providers and should play a major role in the export of energy," he said. The minister said that with the construction of the Ballia Link Expressway, it would be possible to reach Patna from Lucknow through Purvanchal Expressway in just four-and-a-half hours. "Ballia to Buxar can be reached in half an hour, Ballia to Chhapra in one hour, and Ballia to Patna in one-and-a-half hour. With the construction of Greenfield Highway, eastern UP will get better connectivity with Chhapra, Patna, Buxar in Bihar," he said. Vegetables of the farmers of Ballia will now reach 'mandis' of Lucknow, Varanasi, and Patna

easily, he said. Mr Gadkari said the new road from Chandauli to Mohania being constructed at a cost of ₹ 130 crore will provide connectivity to Chandauli in Uttar Pradesh and Kaimur district in Bihar through the Delhi-Kolkata GT Road. He said with the construction of Saidpur to Mardah road there will be direct connectivity of Mau to Varanasi via Saidpur. The minister said due to better connectivity with other cities of the state, economic and social condition of UP will improve as well as backward areas of Azamgarh district will get new connectivity. On this occasion, Mr Gadkari also announced the new connectivity route between Ballia-Ara through 28-km new spur road at a cost of ₹ 1,500 crore.

Tagore Memorial Grove, First Of Its Kind In US, Unveiled In Texas

Houston: The Tagore Memorial Grove and walking museum, one of the first in the United States to spread the message of Nobel Laureate Rabindranath Tagore's borderless world, has been inaugurated here in Texas. Tagore Grove, a free and open-air, permanent memorial of the poet's words and thoughts, depicting his message of love, universalism and a borderless world, was inaugurated on Saturday at the Ray Miller Park in Houston in the presence of the enthusiastic diaspora, complete with Vedic chants, presentation and recitation of Tagore's musical compositions. Several public officials attended the unveiling, including the Consul General of India



in Houston, Aseem Mahajan, Fort Bend County Judge K P George, and Fort Bend Commissioner Andy Myers. Prof Jon Boles, retired Professor of American History at Rice University, Congressional Staffers of US Rep. Al Green, D-Houston, US Rep Lizzie

Fletcher, and officials representing Houston Mayor Sylvester Turner also attended the event. The memorial is a collaboration between the Tagore Society of Houston (TSH) and the City of Houston Parks Department. "The Tagore Grove Memorial has a life-size bronze statue of Tagore,

unveiled in 2013, which is the only sixth full figure statue of the poet erected outside his birthplace, Kolkata, India, and the first in the US", TSH President Gopendu Chakrabarti said while highlighting Tagore's message of universalism and world peace. "This is a fitting

monument," Counsel General Mahajan said while elaborating on the relevance of Tagore's travels, writings and visions of international brotherhood in today's world, and in Houston in particular, with it being a melting pot of different cultures. "The memorial will have a strong connect with the city of Houston and will add to the diversity of the city. I'm sure it will promote its objective of promoting cultural exchanges and mutual understanding," Mahajan said. "India and the United States share a comprehensive global strategic partnership which touches all areas of human endeavour, like energy security, defence, trade and investment and growing people-to-people ties," he said.

Maslenitsa traditional festival of Russia celebrated by Russian community in Kolkata & across India

Kolkata, (Partha Roy): Maslenitsa week long traditional Russian festival symbolising passing of winter and arrival of the spring was celebrated in style by Russian community based in different cities in India including those based in New Delhi, Mumbai Kolkata. Maslenitsa began on February 20 and concluded on February 26, 2023. In Kolkata, Mr.

Maxim Aleshin Senior Consul, Ms. Irina Malysheva of Consulate General of The Russian Federation in Kolkata alongwith Mr. Sergey Sushin Vice Consul and Director of the Russian Centre for Science and Culture (Gorky Sadan) in Kolkata organised and hosted Maslenitsa festival at Gorky Sadan premises. Family members of Russian diplomats &



others, including Russian scholars & others visiting West Bengal participated in the celebration alongwith a few

Indians. Russian celebrate Maslenitsa, the arrival of the Spring with abundance of food, drinks, music, dance,

traditional games and full of merriment. Each day of the festival involves pancakes called "Blini", butter, and

many indulgent toppings. "Blini" is mainly made of white flour, butter, eggs and milk. Maslenitsa mascot a straw doll dressed in a female costume was burnt symbolising imminent end of winter. Maslenitsa contains both pagan and Christian tradition. Sunday is final day, day of forgiving when people forgive the wrongs done to them.

Various philosophies behind rituals and practices in Maslenitsa find echos in historic celebration of Spring festival in Indic Hindu culture of celebration of Holi in India. Maslenitsa festival celebrated in Eastern Orthodox communities around the world. Pancakes also symbolize birth and death; in old Russia a pancake was given to a woman in labor, and is a ritual funeral

repast in many homes. The circle has been considered a sacred figure in Russia, protecting people from evil. During week-long Maslenitsa celebration, young men and women dance together to explore opportunities to select partners in life. Russian people look forward to new beginning in various spheres to celebrate Life!

Outgoing Odisha chief secretary reviews development in Kotia

KORAPUT/JEYPURE: Kotia panchayat in Koraput's Pottangi block has reached new heights of development with improvement in socio-economic conditions of its residents, said outgoing chief secretary Suresh Chandra Mahapatra on Sunday. During his visit to the disputed panchayat, Mahapatra reviewed the development works and instructed officials to effectively market minor forest produce and promote vegetable farming in hilly areas to augment the income of villagers. He also inspected a strawberry farm at Janiguda and



vegetable farms at Kuhudipadar of the panchayat. The area under strawberry cultivation at Janiguda has increased from just two acre to 25 acre of land. The government has initiated several measures to ensure development of the panchayat including

promotion and increase in production of brooms by women self-help groups. Mahapatra also inaugurated a solar-powered cold storage in the panchayat and reviewed construction of a guesthouse at Madkarpole. Several farmers from the panchayat were

awarded for adopting innovative practices to increase yield on the occasion. After studying the bee farming process at Kurudi Padar, Mahapatra visited Deomali hill and laid ground work for the eco-retreat project. He asked officials to complete the project

by June this year. The state government has initiated several steps to promote Deomali as a tourist destination by engaging local women to manage the area and providing basic facilities like water and food to visitors. Mahapatra's visit to Kotia came almost a fortnight after deputy chief minister of Andhra Pradesh P Rajanna Dora went to the panchayat and promised the villagers several benefits introduced by his government. 5T secretary VK Pandian too had visited the panchayat a few days back.

Shortage of doctors, staff cripple healthcare at Cuttack's SCB Medical College

CUTTACK: When the infrastructure of SCB Medical College and Hospital (SCB MCH) is being transformed, large-scale vacancy of doctors and other paramedical staff has crippled the healthcare delivery services at the premier government-run hospital of the state. Reports suggest, of the total 38 departments in SCB MCH, 26 are clinical, the rest 12 are non-clinical. Against the sanctioned strength of 63, the hospital at present has 50 professors, while the rest 13 are lying vacant. Similarly of the total 106 sanctioned posts of associate professors, as many as 71 are working presently, and the rest 35 are lying

vacant. However, all the 229 sanctioned posts of assistant professor in SCB MCH are said to have been filled up by contractual appointment and rehabilitation on either transfer or deputation basis from periphery cadres. The most important department of the hospital is medicine, where only one associate professor is presently working against the total sanction strength of eight. Similarly, there are only seven senior resident doctors in the department against the sanctioned strength of 16. While vacancies in the posts of professor and associate professor are

affecting patients' treatment, vacancy of around 400 nursing staff has crippled indoor service at SCB MCH. Of the 1,281 sanctioned posts of nursing officials, as many as 314 posts are lying vacant while 4,000 staff nurses are required for the 2,086 bed SCB MCH. There is a requirement of more than 1,300 attendants, there are only 800 attendants including 500 engaged through outsourcing manpower agency, sources said. However, commenting on the matter, SCB MCH administrative officer Abinash Rout said the hospital authorities have taken up the matter with the government for filling up the vacant posts.

Rs 4 lakh for kin of man killed by Maoists

UMERKOTE: Odisha government on Saturday paid Rs 4 lakh compensation to the family of 42-year-old Chandan Nayak who was killed by Maoists on Thursday, on the suspicion of being a police informer. Chandan was a resident of Khalepara village under Raighar block. Speaking to mediapersons at a meeting in Nabarangpur,

deputy inspector general of police (DIG) south-western range Rajesh Pandit said Rs 4 lakh compensation was given to the kin of the deceased as per government provision. "Besides, police has tightened combing operations in bordering areas of Raighar and Kunderi villages as the ultras had also threatened the deceased's family," Pandit added.

He further informed that the deceased's family has also been assured of police assistance whenever required. Chandan Mallik was never a police informer, he added. On Thursday night, at around 9 pm, a group of 25 Maoists reached Khalepara, which is located near Chhattisgarh border, and asked Chandan to come out of his house. The ultras took him to

the local anganwadi centre and asked all the villagers to gather at the spot and held a meeting. While they were subsequently asked to leave, the ultras later tied Chandan's hand with a rope and took him to a nearby field where he was assaulted and strangled to death. Later, Raighar police reached the spot and seized the body for postmortem.

Odisha: Rally by Kudumi Mohanta over tribal status demand



BARIPADA: Members of Kudumi Mohanta Mahasabha took out a procession here on Sunday to protest the delay in granting Scheduled Tribe (ST) status to their community and setting up Jhumar academy in Mayurbhanj district. The protest march was taken out from Madhuban to Chhau field in Baripada town.

A meeting was later held at Chhau field. Rajya Sabha Member Mamata Mohanta said though several protests were held over the ST status demand in the past, no steps have been taken by the government in this regard. "We received several social and economic benefits both from the state and the Central governments when our

community was under the ST list. But since its removal in 1950, our community members across the country have been deprived of the benefits," she said. State president of the Mahasabha Gopabandhu Mohanta said the Kudumi Mohanta community was de-listed from the ST list without any cause. "Many children

from our community aren't getting any scope for higher studies and benefits to build their career. Is it justified on the part of the government to single out our community?" he questioned. General secretary Basanta Mohanta said the West Bengal and Jharkhand governments have approached the Centre over re-inclusion of the community in the list. However, there have been no such efforts by Odisha government in this regard. "The state government has not allocated a single rupee or launched any special initiative for preservation of Kudumi Mohanta community's art, culture and tradition by setting up Jhumar academy in the district," he alleged.


Defunct solar drinking water project irks residents

KENDRAPARA: A solar drinking water supply scheme, powered by a 10 horsepower (HP) pump at Chata gram panchayat in Derabishi block of Kendrapara district has been lying defunct for the last three years much to the disappointment of villagers. The drinking water project was inaugurated by Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik on March 5, 2016. The Rural Water Supply and Sanitation (RWSS) department had

spent `1.20 crore to construct the project which is powered by solar energy. The 10 HP solar pump helped lift water up to a height of 29 metre. It took two-and-a-half hours to fill an overhead water tank with a capacity of one lakh litre. The solar water pump pumped water from the borewell to the overhead tank. The water was then supplied from the tank to houses. The solar pump works automatically and is

activated by a sensor whenever the water level in the overhead tank depletes. However it became defunct three years back due to some technical snag. Owing to negligence of officials, it is yet to be repaired as a result of which large number of residents of Chatara, Chakoda, Chata and other villagers are facing problems, alleged sarpanch of Chata Mamata Rout. Assistant engineer of RWSS department Bibhudata Das said, "We have written to

the head office in Bhubaneswar about the project. A team of officials will visit the village soon to repair it." Erratic power failure is the main reason behind the non-functioning of pumps in many areas and to address the issue, the government had installed solar pumps for drinking water project in our village. But we are in deep trouble after the solar system became defunct, said Sangran Rout, a retired teacher of Chata village.



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Vitesco Technologies aims to achieve 100% carbon neutral production by 2030

Pune : Vitesco Technologies a leading international manufacturer of modern drive technologies and electrification solutions recently celebrated the second anniversary of its Pune facility. Dr. Hans-Jürgen Braun, Senior Vice President of Operations at Vitesco Technologies, visited the facility to commemorate the occasion. The facility is spread across 20 acres and contains more than 17580 m² of manufacturing space, including over 900 employees.

The Pune plant, like all Vitesco Technologies facilities, serves its grid demand entirely through renewable energy sources. Furthermore, the site generates sustainable electricity. All new photovoltaic systems have been built

in the Talegaon facility, generating 03 GWh of electricity from solar energy. The installed capacity is currently 2.6 MW, with the company aiming to increase it to 3.6MW by the end of the year. The facility is also strongly driving automation, digitization, and Industry 4.0, with over 25 cobots and robots installed on the production lines and shopfloor. During his tour of the facility, Dr. Hans-Jürgen Braun, Head of Operations at Vitesco Technologies said, "We have a clear vision of the key characteristics of the plant of the future, which are sustainable, smart, and predictive. And our plant in Pune already embodies these qualities with highly automated production lines, state-of-the-art Industry 4.0 solutions and a strong

focus on sustainability. But what is most important for me is the highly motivated team, because I genuinely believe that people, not only technology, will shape the plant of the future. I am very impressed with India's business competency and the employees' enthusiasm to support us on this journey.

Dr. Braun further highlighted that "The carbon footprint must be dramatically decreased to combat climate change, which is one of the major issues of our time. We must take on responsibility for our environment. As a result, the plant of the future must be climate-neutral in operation. That is why I am proud that the plant in Pune has truly established itself as a driver of sustainability."

Spice Money nearly doubles its nanopreneur (Adhikari) network hitting 1 million milestone in FY22

New Delhi: Spice Money, India's leading rural fintech that is revolutionising the way Bharat banks, achieved the significant milestone of 1 million Adhikaris (nanopreneurs) in FY22, growing by nearly double over the last financial year. Spice Money's strategy, to provide the first-of-its-kind zero investment model, continues to yield results and growth in Adhikaris. This network is spread across rural India covering more than 95% rural pincodes, 700+ districts serving a base of over 100 million consumers, through the Spice Money app and web portal.

In FY23 Spice Money aims to expand into other digital and financial services. The company will consolidate its ATM, banking and payments

business, while scaling its enterprise Cash Management Services (CMS) business. The company, additionally, will be introducing a financial products & services marketplace which will offer solutions such as insurance, credit etc. Considering the crucial role agriculture plays in the rural economy, Spice Money will also venture into digital solutions for the industry. With the country emerging from the pandemic, Spice Money will expand its travel tech platform, Travel Union, to offer a first-of-its-kind solution for all travel agents in semi-urban and rural India. Through its phygital super app, the company will disseminate multiple digital services including education, e-commerce

and healthcare to the masses. On this occasion, Dilip Modi, Founder, Spice Money said "FY22 has witnessed commendable growth, with Spice Money showcasing consistent double-digit growth over the past eight quarters.

We continue to remain bullish about rapid adoption of digital services in rural India, as we aim to foray into new business segments in FY23. Spice Money's phygital super app will further help rural communities get essential services like basic banking, payment services, financial services, travel services and entrepreneur solutions along with healthcare and e-commerce at their doorstep, assisted by Spice Money's 1 million+ Adhikaris.

Sterlite Power wins orders worth INR 1600 crores

New Delhi: Sterlite Power, a leading power transmission developer and solutions provider, has secured multiple orders worth ~INR 1600 crores across its Solutions business in the domestic and international markets.

The company has secured orders from customers like Power Grid Corporation of India (PGCIL), Damodar Valley Corporation (DVC), and West Bengal State Electricity Transmission Company Limited (WBSETCL) in the MSI (Master System Integrator) segment. The orders are for the installation and supply of high-performance conductors and reconductoring solutions for transmission projects. In the Products segment, Sterlite Power has acquired strategic maiden orders of EHV cables for state transmission utilities in Bihar, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, and Karnataka and orders for overhead lines from large and reputed international

customers in North America and CIS regions.

Commenting on the order wins, Mr. Manish Agarwal, CEO - India Transmission Business, Sterlite Power, said, "We are happy to win these new orders across our Solutions business which significantly adds to our robust orderbook. Our integrated model provides us with a strategic advantage in delivering complex projects successfully while also diversifying our revenue base."

As part of its Solutions business unit, the company manufactures and sells a diversified portfolio of products, covering high performance conductors, OPGW and EHV power cables, to international customers, including central and state electricity transmission companies, transmission developers and engineering, procurement, and construction ("EPC")

contractors. Further, its MSI sub-unit is a provider of specialty contracting services, delivering bespoke solutions for the upgrade, uprate and fiberization of brownfield transmission infrastructure projects. In addition, the company also offers underground EHV turnkey services including cable laying and substation development.

Under its infrastructure business segment, where the company bids to develop transmission projects, it has recently won inter-state transmission system projects in J&K as well as north-east India which will play a pivotal role in connecting clean and green power to the national grid. The Kishtwar transmission project is based in Jammu & Kashmir and comprises a 400/132kV GIS substation at Kishtwar and 400 kV Kishenpur - Dulhasti LILO (Line in Line out) transmission line.

Aakash+BYJU'S launches Aakash AudiPREP

New Delhi: Upholding its reputation of leveraging cutting-edge technologies and innovation to deliver the best, Aakash + BYJU'S, India's leader in test preparatory services, has introduced the Aakash AudiPREP -- India's first comprehensive audiobook for NEET aspirants.

Aakash AudiPREP is an innovative web and app-based audiobook containing podcasts of scientifically designed study materials designed by experts. The audiobook lends detailed insight into Physics, Chemistry, Botany and Zoology curriculum which will be incredibly useful for Class XI and XII students to crack the medical entrance

examination. Riding on digital transformation, AudiPREP aims to provide efficient and effective learning through a multi-sensory learning approach. The audiobook makes the process of revision of lessons anytime and where more convenient. The audiobook also encompasses a special feature called spaced repetition that assists students in grasping and retaining dry subjects easily. It is an effective and efficient tool for better time utilization. The audiobook offers some exciting features such as high-quality audio content with proper modulation and clear pronunciation curated by Aakash

experts and a compilation of subject-wise previous year questionnaires called NEETY GRITTY. It also offers powerful mnemonics, elaborative explanations of diagrams, tables and flow charts to improve the retention power of the students.

The audiobook also entails a Content Builder feature which covers relevant NEET concepts even beyond the NCERT syllabus and has interactive quick quizzes for self-assessment aiding in practising and preparing in a fun way. AudiPREP also provides a quick recap at the end of each chapter for rapid revision and cluster of important formulae making complex

concepts engaging and easier to understand.

Commenting on the launch of AudiPREP, Mr Aakash Chaudhry, Managing Director, Aakash+BYJU'S, said, "We are a forward-looking organization and to honour our student's first approach, we are constantly innovating to bring in the best technologies that provide a conducive learning environment. We are a pioneer of many educational trends in the industry. AudiPREP is yet another path-breaking tool giving NEET aspirants the extra edge. The comprehensive audiobooks offer high-quality study materials curated by experienced teachers and engage

students by appealing to their multisensory learning."

AudiPREP is a portable audiobook solution enabling the best utilization of time. One can listen and learn anytime, anywhere at their convenience. The tool also facilitates spaced repetition which is scientifically proven to improve long term memory recall. The audiobook also facilitates multisensory learning by encompassing visual sense through printed study material, hearing through audio recordings while arousing the sense of touch through writing my underlining the keywords and taking running notes.

Lifestyle announces launch of Miss Raja Season 2 contest to celebrate Raja Parba in Odisha

Bhubaneswar : Lifestyle, India's leading fashion destination, announces its second season of Lifestyle Miss Raja in Bhubaneswar, to celebrate the occasion of Raja Parba. The #LifestyleMissRaja2022 contest aims to showcase the passion and unique fashion sensibilities of the city's young women. The three-day festival in Odisha, which is a celebration of womanhood, will be commemorated by Lifestyle through its 2nd season of Miss Raja Parba contest. Popular Ollywood actress Bhoomika Dash announced the contest on 27th May on her social

media. #LifestyleMissRaja2022 welcomes young women from Bhubaneswar to participate in the contest by uploading their most stylish picture on Instagram using the hashtag and tagging @LifestyleStores. The entries would be evaluated basis the stylish look created, and the number of likes garnered on the post. 10 pre-finalists will be announced on the 9th of June and invited for a stylish makeover in Lifestyle's newest trends by an industry expert and photographed professionally. These images will be further posted by the pre-finalists on their Instagram page for a voting round. The

contest will culminate on the 15th of June with the announcement of the winner with the highest votes. The grand finale will be conducted at the Lifestyle store in Esplanade One Mall and will have none other than the popular actress Bhoomika Dash announce the Lifestyle Miss Parba of 2022 and hand over voucher worth Rs. 50,000. The contest is being aggressively promoted through different online and offline avenues.

All the young fashionistas of Bhubaneswar who aspire to be successful models, #LifestyleMissRaja2022 provides a perfect platform to be recognized

for one's great fashion sense.

Announcing the contest, celebrity Bhoomika Dash said, "I feel glad to be associated with Lifestyle for the 2nd season of #LifestyleMissRaja2022 contest. This is a great way for the brand to connect with the young women of Bhubaneswar. Lifestyle is best known for its latest and trendy fashion collection across all categories with an affordable price range. Do visit the Lifestyle store at Esplanade mall for your Raja Parba shopping!"

Rohini Haldea, Assistant Vice President - Marketing, Lifestyle said,

"Celebrating the Raja Parba Fest in Bhubaneswar has been a great experience for us. The passion and enthusiasm of the participants truly fuel the energy of the contest. Lifestyle, with its trendy festive collection and #LifestyleMissRaja2022, proudly celebrates the festival with the young women of Bhubaneswar as a true ode to womanhood."

Lifestyle offers a great range of ethnic wear with vibrant colours and modern silhouettes that perfectly capture the vibe of the festive season.

Airtel Xstream Fiber unlocks its NEW All-in-One plans

Bhubaneswar: To serve the needs of premium households who want the next generational connectivity and entertainment experience, Bharti Airtel ("Airtel"), India's premier communications solutions provider, has once again raised the bar in the home broadband segment with the launch of three new all-in-one plans built for the evolving entertainment needs of today's connected homes.

Vir Inder Nath, CEO - Homes, Bharti Airtel had this to say: "Our new plans are built for India's emerging entertainment needs. Through these bundle offers we plan to offer our discerning customers great value, convenience and unlock a multi-faceted digital experience."

Increased broadband consumption in Indian homes has given rise to the phenomena of hybrid viewing, where families are looking to consume OTT content on the TV screen along with linear TV without the hassle of managing multiple subscriptions and devices. Airtel's plans are the first of their kind in terms of catering to the evolving entertainment needs of the whole family and come with: Subscription to 17 premium OTTs to go with unlimited data. This includes Netflix, Amazon Prime, Disney+ Hotstar and Airtel Xstream Premium ((SonyLiv, Lionsgate, Hoichoi and 11 more OTTs). 350+ TV channels covering the best of linear TV. Airtel 4K Xstream TV Box* that allows you to enjoy OTT and linear TV content with a single device and single remote.

WHEC recognizes Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham as excellence worldwide in Gender Equality

Barcelona: Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham was invited to the UNESCO World Higher Education Conference (WHEC), which recently took place in Barcelona, Spain. UNESCO recognized Amrita as one of five universities of excellence worldwide for its performance in gender equality.

The WHEC aims to reshape ideas and practices in higher

education to ensure sustainable development for the planet and humanity, as well as to define and prepare a roadmap for a new era of higher education.

As the world comes out of COVID-19, the WHEC's goals and strategic scope remain, and the new timeframe represents an opportunity to deepen and expand common efforts of knowledge

production, policy dialogue, exchange, and networking.

Swami Amritaswarupananda Puri, President of Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham, participated in a round table called "Universities' Contribution to Gender Equality: A global perspective". Adding to his views Swami Amritaswarupananda expressed how Amrita is

making a difference in terms of gender equality and which policies have been put into place at the university level. Gender equality is number five in the United Nations' list of 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). He explained how the culture of gender equality is not implemented only in terms of policies within Amrita, but also practiced in spirit.

The round table included Dr. Gloria Bonder, UNESCO Chair on Women, Science and Technology; Dr. Ricardo Vilanueva Lomeli, Rector General, University of Guadalajara; Ms. Elizabeth Shepherd, Leader of the Consultancy team, Times Higher Education; and Dr. Victoria Galan-Muros, Chief of Research and Analysis,

Australia a well-oiled machine, their professionalism is insane: Sune Luus

New Delhi: Sometimes it's what isn't said at press conferences that tells the real story. For instance, here's Sune Luus after she was asked what it was like to be on the receiving end of another Australia win in a World Cup final.

"They are a well-oiled machine. Their level of professionalism is insane. The world has been looking up to their team for a very, very long time. They're the best for a reason. If you look at their structures and pipelines, everything is lining up and everything is in order."

That sounds like glowing praise, and it was. But it was also prefaced by Luus unleashing the mother of all eye-rolls. As in, Australia! Again!

Meg Lanning's team beat South Africa by 19 runs in Sunday's T20

World Cup final to earn Australia's sixth title in the format. They have also won seven ODI World Cups. Of the 20 women's white-ball championships yet played, only seven haven't been won by the Aussies. They have a success rate of 65%. Maybe Luus rolled her eyes more out of desperation than jealousy.

After all, she wanted something like what Australia had: "That's something definitely as a country we're striving for. We obviously look at the structures and, you know, want to see how we can do that best in our country as well. But they're the best in the world for a reason, and we can only try to get better to eventually beat them."

Beth Mooney, whose unbeaten 74 off 53 gelled

her team's innings, also offered a revealing expression. What, she was asked, would she tell a side about how to beat Australia? Mooney pulled a face of mock confusion before answering.

"Just don't turn up," she said to a roomful of laughter. "It's too hard, don't bother going." But seriously: "It probably starts within yourself more so than anything rather than worrying about what other people do, but if I give too much away we might start getting beaten. But the good part about the game at the moment is every team's evolving at a rapid pace and the game's evolving at a rapid pace too."

Not at a pace fast enough for Australia's opponents to compete with them, a race that only England and India



can say they are part of seriously. How might a more competitive global women's game be achieved?

"It's up to CSA and the minister of sport and whoever's in charge of cricket in this country to knock on doors and open those doors, and give women's cricket the best chance they could

possibly have to keep up with Australia, with England and with India," Luus said, before casting an eye further afield. "The WPL is going to be massive for women's cricket. And I'm hoping it grows from and hopefully we get a SA20 for women. That would really help South African women's cricket. The

leagues are all in the top three nations. That's why they're so good, and that's why they have depth.

"Overseas players come and you get used to playing with and against them. And when a youngster like Annerie Dercksen comes up she's not looking at Ellyse Perry going, 'Wow, I'm playing against her for

the first time.' Because Ellyse might have played with her in a team. That's something we really need to look at. We've been asking for a very long time for a South African league. I know there are budget constraints, and there's always challenges with resources. But we've given our girls the best chance we could, and it's up to CSA and everyone involved to make that happen."

Although the South Africans lost, they did earn the experience that came with being the first senior team from their country, male or female, to reach a World Cup final in any format.

"We got a sniff of how a final is, and the feelings and the nerves and everything, and I feel now we have the heartache of not winning a final. Next year's World

Cup, when we get there again, it's not going to be a big thing for us anymore to break a curse. I think now it's just for us to really look at the final and say, 'How are we going to get through the final and be on the other side of that?'"

How many more titles might the Australians have in them? "As many as there are out there," Mooney said. "We don't get tired of it. Something we speak about as a group is making sure we're always evolving. We've seen in this tournament there are teams around the world getting better as the years go on and we know we're being hunted. People look at us for what we do and how we go about it, so it won't last forever. But we'll enjoy it for as long as we can, and hopefully we can keep piling up those trophies."

Bumrah return could take longer; unlikely even for IPL, WTC final



New Delhi: Jasprit Bumrah's injury appears to be more serious than it initially appeared and he could be out for a longer period than expected. As it stands now, the India spearhead

is seriously doubtful for the Indian Premier League (IPL), set to commence in just about a month's time and run in April and May. There is even a possibility that he will not be fit for the

World Test Championship (WTC) final in the UK in June, should India qualify. Sources in the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) and the IPL circles have indicated

that Bumrah, out of international action for almost five months, has not been feeling comfortable and he is staring at a potentially long hiatus. According to sources, the target for the Indian team is to get him ready for the World Cup in October-November, if not necessarily for the Asia Cup, wherever it is held.

Bumrah last played for the country in a T20I against Australia, on September 25 last year and Cricbuzz recently reported that he was not cleared by the National Cricket Academy authorities in Bengaluru for the three ODIs against Australia in

March. But the latest information is things have not exactly panned out as planned and the NCA is not going to rush him into action in a hurry. Initially it was thought that it was not all that bad if Bumrah returned to take part in the IPL as he would be bowling only four overs in a game and the original plan was for him to handle the workload slowly and an IPL return suited the plans. But now it will take longer and last heard, the managements of the BCCI, the NCA and the Indian team are chalking out a meticulously planned programme for his return.

Spain smash T20I records in two-ball chase against Isle of Man



New Delhi: The final match of Spain's home bilateral series against the Isle of Man at la Manga saw records tumble as the Isle of Man were bowled out for just 10 runs, with the hosts completing the chase in just two legitimate deliveries. Home seamers Mohammad Kamran and Atif Mehmood bagged four wickets apiece at the cost of 4 and 6 runs respectively, with leg-spinner Lorne Burns chipping in two scalps at no cost. Joseph Burrows overstepped on the first ball of Isle of Man's impossible defence, before Awas Ahmad sent the next two deliveries over the midwicket fence to complete the chase in 0.2 overs.

Among the records to fall were lowest total in a men's T20I (10), fastest run rate in a completed chase (39) and of course margin of victory by balls remaining (118). The record had previously stood at 15 balls, held jointly by Kenya and Rwanda who each chased a target of 32 in 2.3 overs within days of each other at last year's Africa Sub-Regional Qualifiers, with Mali on the receiving end both times.

Mali retain that unwanted record in Women's T20s as

Rwanda and Tanzania both completed wins in just four balls. While Mali are a developing side in both the men's and women's game, the Isle of Man are far from habitual whipping boys in European cricket. Ranked just three places below Spain at 39th on the ICC T20I rankings before the series, only last year they came close to qualifying for the European T20 Qualifier Finals, topping their group unbeaten before being bested by Italy in the Sub-Regional Final. The Manx had posted 132-8 in the preceding game, and while Spain had (bar one wash-out) won all the preceding matches series comfortably, there was little indication of what was to come.

"Crazy, just crazy" were head coach Corey Rutger's words, speaking to Cricbuzz after the match. "Ten for ten, and that a team that had just hit us for 132 earlier in the day. Kamran and Mehmood, our two left armers, opening the bowling and they were getting good swing and they just kept hitting pads and stumps. It just went four for four, five for five, six for six, I've never seen anything like it in my life.

"Big thank you to the Isle of Man guys for coming

out, they brought a young team and gave us some tough games I hope they're not too demoralised after that. It's maybe a tough curve for them, but I'm sure they'll only learn from it."

The six-match bilateral series has been Spain's season curtain raiser, arranged with an eye on the T20I rankings as part of their campaign to qualify for the upcoming CWC Challenge Play-off and regain a foothold on the international fifty over ladder.

"It's been really good for us just to get back into cricket at the start of the season, really proud of the guys. And a whitewash in a six-match series, 5-0 with one abandoned, is obviously a great result. We had a lot of debutants, and a lot of individual guys stood out in a great team performance; Mohammad Ihsan hitting the second T20I hundred for the country, Shafaat Syed with a five wicket haul and an international fifty earlier in the series, Kamran with a five-fer earlier in the series and a hat-trick today, the guys have been really dominant. I think it'll put us back in the hunt, just behind Germany [on the rankings] with the cut-off coming in September the door's just open."

Why silver is gold for South Africa's Sinalo Jafta

New Delhi: All things being equal, Sinalo Jafta wouldn't have been at Newlands on Sunday. She wouldn't have played in a T20 World Cup final. She wouldn't have heard the biggest crowd in the history of women's sport in South Africa, among them members of her family, cheering for her and her teammates. She might not even have been alive. Happily, all things are not equal. Jafta shed many tears talking to the press after the match. Australia's 19-run win is not what made her cry. "Two months ago, I came out of rehab," she said. "I've got God to thank for my sobriety, and the team have been so supportive. I came out on December 8, and for me to get fit, to play... hectic. What a journey. The person you get on the field is someone who gets on their knees every day. I am not in control of anything. God is always in control."



Jafta said she descended into drinking too much because of abuse she received online: "Social media, it doesn't support you. You have a really tough day and people just bullet you. That sent me over the edge. It just wouldn't stop. I remember coming back from the Commonwealth Games [in August] and everything just broke. I lost who I was. "My mom [Lumka Jafta] was one of the people who supported

me through it, and the team doctor and the management gave me two months' medical leave. I was in treatment for 56 days. I learnt the best about myself. People are allowed to have their opinions but it doesn't define who I am." Jafta effected no dismissals on Sunday, but she also didn't drop any catches or botch any stumpings. Neither did she concede a bye. She cracked Megan Schutt through cover point for four with a crisp cut, and had

scored nine not out off six when South Africa ran out of road. And through it all she could feel the love of people she knew who were in the stands.

"I can pick up my mom's and my brother's voice anywhere. And my cousins. So I knew they were behind me. My mom came to her first ever international against Sri Lanka [the tournament opener at Newlands on February 10]. She knows nothing about cricket but she knows how to

cover drive, apparently." But Jafta's story could have unfolded starkly differently: "I was walking away from cricket. October 7 is when I made the decision I was going to go into treatment. I was done. I felt like I had nothing left to give. I was 27. I was done. Now, as a 28-year-old, I've got my career ahead of me. The fact that I can say I have a career ahead of me." The tears ran freely as she glanced down at the medal hanging around her neck. For some people, it would have been the wrong colour: silver. But she held it in her hand and kissed it. "I am going to wear this, I am going to go to bed with it, I am going to shower with it. Because this wasn't even possible for me. This is my gold for now." Not all things are equal. Sometimes silver is more valuable even than gold.