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Rath Yatra devotees should have great experience: Odisha CM

BHUBANESWAR(KCN): Chief and for pulling the chariots to the Minister Naveen Patnaik on Sat- Gundicha temple.



urday virtually reviewed the preparations for Rath Yatra which will be held after two years of Covid-19 pandemic with the participation of devotees. He asked officials to ensure that people have a great experience from the festi-

He directed the officials to make all necessary arrangements for its smooth conduct. Expressing happiness as the Rath Yatra is being held after two years without restrictions, he thanked the servitors for their help in organising the festival during the Covid pandemic, Law Minister Jagannath Saraka, who attended the meeting, briefed on various decisions related to the preparation of the Rath Yatra and its implementation. Development Commissioner Pradeep Kumar Jena gave detailed information about all the preparations. The priority for the administration will be on ensuring availability of health facilities, communication, roads, sanitation and cleanliness. Director General of Police Sunil Bansal informed about the steps to be taken to maintain law and order during the festival.

Recognise fake patriots; the country is with you: Priyanka Gandhi to youths protesting Agnipath

NEW DELHI(KCN): Urging the youth to



Priyanka Gandhi Vadra on June 19 assured her party's full support to those peacefully protesting the Centre's Agnipath scheme for recruitment in the armed forces.

She made the remarks as Congress MPs and leaders sat on a 'Satyagraha' at Jantar Mantar here in solidarity with the youths protesting the controversial scheme.

"There is no bigger patriot than you. I want to tell you, open your eyes and recognise the fake nationalists and fake patriots. The entire country and the Congress are with you in your struggle," the Congress general secretary said in her remarks aimed at youths protesting the Agnipath scheme.

In her address, she also quoted lines from Harivansh Rai Bachchan's Hindi poem 'Agnipath' to urge the youth to persevere and keep struggling peacefully. continued on: P-7

PM Modi on two-day visit to Karnataka from Monday

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BENGALURU(KCN): Prime Minister Narendra Modi would be on a two-day visit to Karnataka from Monday to take part in a host of events, including leading the In-



to Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai. "Tomorrow, the Prime Minister is arriving in Karnataka on a two-day visit. He will take part in an inauguration and a foundation-laying ceremony in the Indian Institute

of Science. He will also inaugurate Ambedkar School of Economics," Bommai told reporters here on Sunday.

various railways and National Highway Authority of India-related programmes.

"Modi will also address a public meeting in Bengaluru. We have made all necessary arrangements for the events. Senior officials are supervising the works," the Chief Minister said.

According to Bommai, the Prime Minister would address a public meeting in Mysuru on Monday evening and would visit Suttur Math and Chamundi Hills the same evening. "The Prime Minister will take part in the International Yoga Day event on the Mysuru Palace premises (on Tuesday). After that, he will leave for Thiruvananthapuram. We have made all the arrangements for the events," Bommai said. At Suttur Math in Mysuru, the Prime Minister would dedicate to public the Veda Pathashala building and release of commentaries on yoga and bhakti. The International Yoga Day event would start at 6.30 am on Tuesday and go on

recognise "fake nationalists", Congress leader



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2022 presidential elections: BJP chief JP Nadda holds meeting with management team

NEW DELHI(KCN): BJP presi-

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dent JP Nadda held a meeting with the party's 14-member management team for the July 18 presidential election and deliberated upon the poll strategy, sources said on Sunday. Nadda met the party leaders, including the team's convener Union Minister Gajendra Shekhawat, at his residence here.

Other leaders of the team, including Union CONTINUED ON: P-7

He added that Modi would lay the foundation stone for War in Ukraine could last "for years," warns NATO chief



Ukraine (KCN): The war in Ukraine could last "for years", warned NATO's head, according to an interview published Sunday by the German daily newspaper Bild.

"We must not weaken in our support of Ukraine, even if the costs are high-- not only in terms of military support but also because of rising energy and food prices," said Secretary-General Jens Stoltenberg.

Russian forces have directed their firepower at the east and south of Ukraine in recent weeks since failing in their bid to take the capital Kyiv after the lightning February 24 inva-

Meanwhile, President Volodymyr Zelensky vowed Sunday that his forces "will not give away the south to anyone" after his first visit to the southern frontline.

"The losses are significant. Many houses were destroyed, civilian logistics were disrupted, there are many social issues," Zelensky said. "I have commissioned to make assistance to people who have lost loved ones more systemic. We will definitely CONTINUED ON: P-7

Odisha CM Naveen Patnaik to share state's food security mantra with World Food Programme

Naveen Patnaik on Saturday left for Delhi ahead of his international visits starting Mon-

day. Naveen is leading a high-level delegation comprising Secretary Chief Suresh Mahapatra, Secretary to Chief Minister and 5T department VK Pandian, Principal

Secretary in the Food and Civil Supplies department VV Yadav, Principal Secretary in the Industries department Hemant Sharma and Resident Commissioner in New Delhi Ravi Kant to Rome and Dubai.

According to the Chief Minister's Office, the World Food Programme (WFP) has extended an invitation to Naveen to visit its headquarters in Rome and share the transformative initiatives of Odisha in the field of food security and disaster management. He will narrate how

BHUBANESWAR(KCN): Chief Minister from being a food-dependent State, Odisha has transformed itself into a food surplus State adding to the country's public distribution

system. Naveen will meet the executive director of WFP David Beasley and its senior leadership. He will discuss Odisha's partnership with WFP and future projects for ensuring

food security in a sustainable manner. The Chief Minister will also meet the Odia diaspora from various parts of Europe in Rome. He is also scheduled to meet Pope Francis in the Vatican, the CMO release stated. On his way back, Naveen will meet investors from the Middle East and adjoining regions in Dubai. He will extend an invitation to the potential investors to come and invest in Odisha. He will also have one-on-one meetings with some big investors from the region.

All Eyes on Naveen

BHUBANESWAR, MONDAY, 20 JUNE, 2022

Bhubaneswar(KCN): Come Presidential elections and Odisha Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik becomes the focal point of the national politics. This is not that Naveen just cheers over being in the attention of all and sundry in the Delhi Durbar, he too faces a difficult situation while announcing his party's decision. Therefore, Naveen makes use of a very plain and simple theory. Initially, he reiterates his old statements from previous situations. They are like: nobody has approached me so far, no thought at the moment while his party

EPF Pension association sends letter to Respected Prime Minister of India

Odisha Employees dia the subject at with add all pension

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to Ayushman Bharat Yojana respectively. Around 200 letters were posted through letters to Honorable pension amount pro- Bentakar post office.

Bulei Behera, District committee member Bhaja Krushna Lenka, Golakha Bihari Pati, Umesh Swain, Ajit Kumar Nayak, Alekh Nayak, Dabendranath Nayak, Bichitrananda Nyak,Bijaya Kumar Mohanty, Rasha Sahoo, Bnabihari Muduli, Ganesh C h a n d r a Parida, Shyamasundar Nayak & Laxmidhar Swain were present with make program grand success.



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Barbil (KCN): Barbil returning home from complaint with the police have arrested four youths on youth came and tried

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Barbil police station and police arrested

Juvenile court .These are also going to be suspected of many



charges of stealing mobile phone. As per information, Sada Munda, 14, son of Ram Munda of Tanto village under Bhadrasahi gram panchayat, had come to visit the fair at the Barbil festival grounds. On Sada's father lodged a

to snatch his mobile, they threatened him with a sharp knife and took his mobile along money with purse.They also threatened to kill himself if approached police. On the 16th June, Sanjay Francis and SipulNaik from Sriram Nagar in Barbil and confiscated 21 stolen mobile phones after due investigation. In this connection police too arrested two juvenile and

stealing from crowd places like daily market and bus stops. The IMEI will be recovered and phone owners can take their mobile on producing authentic proof from police station, forwarded them to IIC, Sushant Dash.

Mahaveer Youth Club Celebrates Rajo Mohastav -2022

Khordha (KCN): Mahaveer Youth Club Celebrates Third Annual Rajo Mohastav at Thenga Hat Melan Padia, Samantarapur, Khordha. BJD, General Secretary, Khordha,



District, Lalit Mohan Mohapatra, Preside Over the Meeting. The Chief Guest of the Occasions MLA, Khordha, Joytrindra Nath Mitra, Councillor Kamal Pradhan, Susanta kumar Jena, Kadambini Rout, Social Activist Abhisek Singh Samanta & Prakash kumar Das were present and said that "Rajo Celebration is Part of the Identity of Every Odia and if the Present Generation Restrains from Celebrating it how will they Learn about the Rich tradition and Cultural Heri-



tage of the State. They give their best to revive the tradition and celebrates the festivals like in earlier days." On this Occasions the Mahaveer Youth Club Felicitated MLA, Khordha, J. N. Mitra and other Personalities for their Outstanding Contributions in different fields. The Programme was Coordinated by Subrat Prasad Barik, Raghunath Panda, Sarat Behera, Ashribad Behera, Rajesh Kumar Swain and other Members of the Club.

leaders prefer to leave it on Naveen saying that the Chief Minister will take the final call. Even some of them add something more: the BJD supremo takes the right decision at the right time. When All India

Trinamool Congress (AITMC) Chairperson Mamata Banerjee and some others openly opposed the NDA, Naveen preferred to keep mum. For some days, Naveen neither sup-

ported nor opposed the NDA. At the same time, he also does not support the UPA or even the non-BJP and non-CONTINUED ON: P-7

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Excise Team Conduct's Raids. Seize 26 Gram Brown Sugar

Khordha (KCN): As tected by Khordha rested. Case has been Khordha, Range,

per the direction of Excise Department

Collector & Superintendent of Excise, Khordha raid was conducted Swapneswar Sahi, Khordha. One NDPS case has been de-

with seizure of 26 gram brown sugar, approximate cost-2,60000/-. In this connection accused namely Ashanti Brahma (58) was ar-

35/22-23 of OIC Khordha Excise Station under sec. 21(a) of NDPS Act. The raid was conducted by Bhairab Sahoo, Inspector of Excise,

spector of Excise District Mobile Unit, OIC, Khordha, B. Manoj Kumar, OIC, Begunia, Biranchi Narayan Mohanty and all Excise Staffs were participated.

The international poetry anthology, "The Burgeons", edited and compiled by the best selling author Sreekala P Vijayan receives worldwide attention

Bengaluru (KCN): Motivational Strips, V Macha, Moulik S, The Burgeons", an international poetry anthology, compiled and edited by Sreekala P Vijayan receives appreciation and applauds from various parts of the world. Amazon best selling author Sreekala P Vijayan has mentored many students and supported them to move ahead in the field of poetry. She is an academician by profession and has connected many organisations to involve students in the field of creative writing. The poems in the book are of various themes. Students have created magic with the wondrous flow of ink. Jagdeep Dattaram Panchal, the language trainer, Soundarya Institute of Management Studies has penned the foreword for the book. Malakshmi Borthakur, a famous vocalist and a multilingual poet has written the introduction for the book. Author Penny Wobbly has appreciated the varied approaches of the students. Sreekala P Vijayan is the Chief Administrator - Media coordination and

corporate liaisons for

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the world's most ac- Sannidhi S Kulkarni, takes pride to con-FOREWORD BY JAGDEEP DATTARAM PANCHAL The Burgeons EDITED AND COMPILED BY **SREEKALA P VIJAYAN**

tive writers forum.Her dedication towards literature is eulogized by many reputed poets across the globe.

Many students from Soundarya Central School has become published authors at their tender age. Advaith C, Kushi

Niti B V, Mahantesh, Bhuvana P, Samanvi M, Pulakitha N, Shravya V Bhat, Senora Sajeesh, Sahana A M, Monisha J are the contributing authors from the school. The book turns out to be a milestone in their writing journey. Soundarya

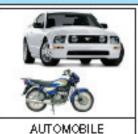
gratulate them. Children are overjoyed to express their success story with family and friends. Tandeep Dutta, Parent of Arjunveer Singh appreciated the talents of young ones. Proud parents shared the news in various platforms.

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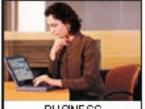
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'The Lemonade' Author Kankane Rakhi Surendra Releases Second Part of Story Collection "2nd Serving of The Lemonade - A collection of sweet, salty, and sour stories!"

the base of her book

Mumbai(KCN): Kankane Rakhi Kankane Rakhi Surendra reveals that



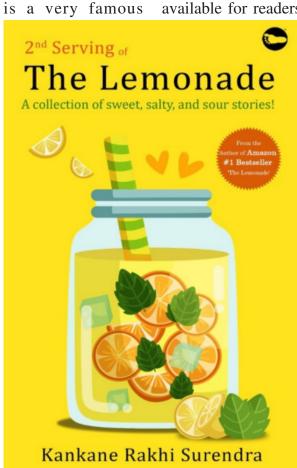
Surendra, author of Amazon #1 bestseller in short stories 'The Lemonade' has come up with the second book of her series '2nd Serving of The Lemonade - A collection of sweet, salty, and sour stories!', which is a collection of fictional stories

with a non-fictional

motive. Rakhi, with her series 'The Lemonade', brings a collection of short stories that are about life's challenges, relationships, and one's approach towards life. They talk about accepting whatever the situation is at the present moment and deriving something positive out of it.

gives you lemons, make lemonade.' Rakhi says, "Not all days of life are same. Life is full of sweet, salty, and sour experiences. So, on the days when we face adversity or misfortune, accepting it and finding something positive in it, is the best way to deal with it. I feel this is the secret of leading a good life."

Stories by Rakhi in her book drive us to think and tackle the problems of life more maturely. The book is available for readers



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Phenomenal experience: Riteish Deshmukh praises Anil Kapoor, Anurag Kashyap's 'AK vs AK' NEW DELHI(K- Deshmukh. Kashyap pla

CN): Actor Riteish Deshmukh lauded Vikramaditya

Motwane's 'AK vs

He then went on to heap praise on Kashyap, Kapoor, and his actor son AK' and termed the Harshvardhan

Kashyap plays the role of a disgraced film director in the

'AK vs AK,' revolves around the



Netflix based film "a phenomenal experience".

Deshmukh took to Twitter to share a poster of the movie, features which Anurag Kashyap and Anil Kapoor in lead roles.

"Mind has been blown!!! #AKvsAK is a phenomenal experience

@ VikramMotwane take a bow my friend," tweeted Kapoor who has a cameo in the film. "@anuragkashyap72

how good are you, @AnilKapoor Sir, only you could do this, you are pure gold in this film but @HarshKapoor_has outdone your entire performance in one scene," 'Housefull' actor's tweet further read. While Kapoor essays the role of a yesteryear actor,

story of a movie star and a film director who get into a public spat, following which the director retaliates by kidnapping the actor's daughter and films the search for her in real-time.

The Netflix India Original film was released on the platform on December 24, which also happens to be Anil Kapoor's birthday.

CHENNAI (KCN):

Actress Kajal Aggarwal, who teams up with actor-filmmaker Kamal Haasan for the first time in the upcoming Tamil film "Indian 2", says signing the project has been a step up in her over a decade-long career.

Last seen on screen in Telugu film "Kavacham", Kajal "Indian 2". "I'm really thrilled to

be part of the project. I'm quite excited about my role and the skills I will get to learn on the job. I see signing 'Indian 2' as a step up in my career," Kajal told IANS along the sidelines of the launch of beverage brand 7Up's new campaign, 7Up Ponneram.

Ponneram translates to has already begun golden times in En- ognition which I enjoy prepping for her role in glish. Kajal said her even today," she said.

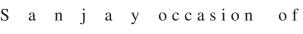
career's golden times started when she signed Rajamouli's "Magadheera".

"My golden times started when I signed 'Magadheera'. I have seen many ups and downs in my profession but it was only after I did 'Magadheera' did my career catapult to the next league. It earned me a lot of rec-

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institution to which the Banking Regulation Act, 1949 applies and / or Post Master General: Cash deposits aggregating to Rs.10 lakh or more in a financial year, in one or more accounts (other than a current account and time deposit) of a person.

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(Narayan Jain is former Secretary General of AIFTP and author of the books "How to Handle Income Tax Problems" and "Income Tax Pleading & Practice" with CA DilipLoyalka).

Yoga - A system of Mindfulness, wellness and cure 21st June International Yoga Day

Again an International Yoga Day! A large United Nations in number of people across the globe began 2014 to observe to sweat on a yoga mat on a daily basis; a June 21, every year as International Day his animal instincts and help him discover tension, obesity and cardiac problems etc.



and fashion in a world of rapidly changing tendencies. It is gradually getting welcomed across the globe at a much faster pace.

Ever since the UN declaration on the need of Yoga being promoted as a wellness system to encourage good health, the demand for yoga trainers and the number of practitioners increased in millions. More people are ready to give it a try than anything else when it comes to maintaining a healthy routine intact. Positive results on the research of yoga and its efficacy in the mind-body management as a wellness practice have brought more people onto the yoga mat. While modern medical science mostly deals with the body, considering health as a state of wellness of the body alone, yoga helps a practitioner to go beyond the realm of it and discover the potentiality of the mind and the soul. Yoga brings in the spiritual aspects of cure which eliminates the anomalies of both body and mind. Health, according to the World Health Organization, is a state of complete physical, mental and social well being and not merely an absence of disease or illness. This definition directly points to the advantages and authority of yoga practice as a complete wellness system. The Yoga tradition, for centuries, has been propagating the idea of looking at the body as an instrument, and energy both mental and spiritual, according to it, as a fuel to carry out its functions.

The historic declaration made by the

tradition, passion of Yoga has come as a huge diplomatic his divine realms. It is because the prac- The change in the lifestyle would deeply victory for India; especially for the Modi regime for its efforts to bring the world nations to one table. Making countries across the globe lineup in recognition of India's traditional health and wellness practice, the government could illuminate the world about the glory that yoga ornamented India with for years. Yoga can tremendously help in enhancing immunity. The Hatha Yoga Pradipika elaborates yoga as a holistic practice to ward off diseases and keep the body and mind with vigorous attunement to nature. Yoga therefore, needs to be seen as a mechanism that tries to understand the body and mind in their totality. Mistaking it as a process of twisting and turning of the body beyond its capacity is normal. That is how it is propagated and it is a complete misunderstanding.

A practitioner needs to understand the inner and outer dimensions of yoga practice and the effects it brings. The science of yoga (yoga shastra) clearly states the body as a multi-layered mechanism. It is necessary to know the body and the mind in their entirety. This ancient wellness science is believed to have originated 2500 years ago. Maharshi Patanjali in his yoga sutras or aphorisms scribbled the importance of a healthy living for a healthy society. He deals with the physical, emotional, intellectual and the spiritual aspects of an individual in detail. Practicing yoga regularly enables a person to go beyond the limits of his body and mind. Breathing exercises, popularly known as Pranayama, activates the intrinsic powers in our body and helps us to calm down the mind. Undoubtedly, yoga

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titioner becomes attentive to the smallest movement that he makes and he becomes totally watchful of the impulses of his mind. To go into the minute details of everything with complete attention is what yoga makes a practitioner capable of. The word yoga literally means 'to unite or to join', a union of the individual self with the cosmic one with complete awareness. Whereas, the most prominent definition of yoga that suits in the modern context is "yogah karmasu kaushalam" which means 'skilful action'. This makes yoga a daily affair. Any action done with complete awareness and perfection is yoga. Awareness comes from attention and attention comes from trying to be totally mindful.

Yoga philosophy tells that the reasons for the diseases and discomforts of the body can be traced back to the mind. And understanding the mind and aligning the body consciously with the impulses of it gives it a healthy makeover. This means, problems of the body cannot be cured at the level of the body alone, but by delving into the anomalies of the mind. A disciplined yoga practice can certainly do wonders to a person's health regime. In the midst of the hustle and bustle of life, we really miss the art of living. Yoga practice helps us keep connected with the inner self and an amicable alignment with the rest of the world is what it offers. Today the young generation is getting swayed away by the influence of cell phones, laptops and social media. Their concentration is severely affected. Regular yoga practice can help them gain concentration. The reason why yoga is gain-

has the ability to ing acceptance rapidly is that it can reraise a man from lieve the practitioner from stress, hyperimpact the physical, mental and spiritual health of a person. Dedicated practice of yoga on a regular basis can balance the faculties of our life.

Promoting yoga as a market brand is a reality. It has mushroomed into a multibillion industry. We are sure to hit thousands of flashy web pages of yoga institutions on the internet. Rapid commercialization of yoga is trending at full speed and it is difficult to recognize the real stuff. Derivatives of yoga practices basically alien to the real stuff that Maharshi Patanjali decoded are flooding the yoga market. It is necessary to identify a real teacher who can take a practitioner beyond the twisting of limbs and make the real sense of union happen in him. Before stepping onto a yoga mat one should take a resolve as to what he needs to accomplish by becoming a practitioner. A yoga expert from a recognized school of yoga can help one overcome a lot of health problems. But do not forget, it is better to practice the wellness system with its traditional flavor. Yoga, to the present generation is opening a huge job avenue in India and abroad. Finding the best practice available in the market can enhance one's career dreams as a yoga trainer and give a glossy brand value. Anyway, yoga is potential to work as a game changer in a world of tumult and terror and tyranny. Its effect is constant and everlasting.

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Rath Yatra: Odisha police gear up to prevent drowning deaths in Puri

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BHUBANESWAR: As a large number of tourists are expected to arrive in Puri for the Rath Yatra this year, the Puri Police have set up a drowning prevention and

cued five tourists from drowning. The team is being supervised by an Additional SP rank officer and the Puri sea beach has been divided into six zones.

deployed for rescue operations. However, DPRT has been formed for Rath Yatra and the personnel have been tasked to monitor the tourists and rush to their

sides this, the Puri Police will set up 25 tourist aid posts on the highway, in the town and on the beach to instantly address the grievances of visitors during Rath



rescue team (DPRT) to provide emergency services to the people visiting the sea beach.

DPRT was deployed on the beach during Snana Yatra and the personnel had res- only lifeguards are

The team consists of Odisha Fire Service personnel, about 40 lifeguards and an ambulance to handle any untoward incident on the beach.

"On normal days,

rescue in case of any emergency," said Puri SP Kanwar Vishal Singh.

Prior to Rath Yatra, the team will be deployed during the Nabajouban darshan of the Trinity. Be-

Yatra. "Each police aid post will have one officer and two to three constables. They will be equipped with VHF sets to share any information with the senior officers," said Singh.

Congress holds 'Satyagraha' at Delhi's Jantar Mantar in support of Agnipath protests

NEW DELHI: Congress MPs and leaders sat on a 'Satyagraha' at Jantar Mantar here on Sunday in solidarity with the youths protesting the Centre's newly announced Agnipath scheme for recruitment in the armed forces. Congress leaders and supporters criticised the BJP-led central government and said that the

been protesting against the contentious defence recruitment scheme. Over the past few days, incidents of protesters vandalising railway stations, setting trains on fire and blocking roads and railway tracks have been reported from different cities and towns. Heavy deployment of police and paramilitary forces



Agnipath scheme is not beneficial for the country's youth and also jeopardises national security.

Congress general secretary Priyanka Gandhi Vadra and party leaders Jai Ram Ramesh, Rajiv Shukla, Sachin Pilot, Salman Khurshid and Alka Lamba took part in the 'Satyagraha'. "The scheme should be rolled back," Pilot told PTI on the sidelines of the 'Satyagraha'. Appealing to the protesting youths not to resort to violence, he said, "Protesting the scheme is their right but it should be done in a peaceful way. There should be no violence."

Youths in several parts of the country have

was seen at the protest site. The entry and exit points to Jantar Mantar were blocked.

The Agnipath scheme, announced on June 14, provides for the recruitment of youths in the age bracket of 17-and-half to 21 years for only four years with a provision to retain 25 per cent of them for 15 more years.

Later, the government extended the upper age limit to 23 years for recruitment in 2022. The personnel to be recruited under the new scheme will be known as Agniveers. A major objective of the scheme is to bring down the average age of military personnel and cut ballooning salary and pension bills.

Pakistan releases 20 Indian fishermen jailed for five years in Karachi

KARACHI: Pakistan in a goodwill gesture on Sunday released 20 Indian fishermen who have been languishing in jail here for the last five years for allegedly fishing illegally in the country's waters. The twenty fishermen were lodged at Malir district jail in the Landhi area of Karachi. They were sent to Lahore on their way to the Wagah border where they will be handed over to the Indian authorities.

Jail superintendent Muhammad Irshad said the fishermen were released on the order of the federal government.

"They were in jail for the last five years. Today, they were handed over to the Edhi trust which will be responsible for taking them to Lahore under police escort," he said.

Irshad said the fishermen were arrested by the Maritime Security Force in June 2018 and then jailed for fishing illegally in Pakistan's territorial waters.

Faisal Edhi, who heads the welfare foundation, said all expenses and travelling of the Indian fishermen were being taken care of by them. Edhi trust is a non-profit social welfare organisation.

Pakistan and India regularly arrest rival fishermen for violating the maritime boundary which is poorly marked at some points.

SIDAC, Odisha Bamboo Development Agency to skill bamboo artisans in Bhubaneswar

BHUBANESWAR: In an attempt to skill traditional bamboo artisans of the State, the department of Handlooms, Textiles and Handi-

crafts is setting up a research and development centre on bamboo craft in the Capital City.

The State Institute for Development of Arts and Crafts (SIDAC) under the department is setting up the centre on its premises in collaboration with Odisha Bamboo Development Agency. It

will work in areas like bamboo product innovation, design research and development besides, increasing the productivity and income of bamboo artisans of the State. OBDA will be funding the project.

Officials of SIDAC said in the beginning, the focus will be bamboo clusters in five districts of Dhenkanal, Mayurbhani, Bargarh, Jaipur and Subarnapur. While in Dhenkanal, the clusters identified for the purpose at block level are Baulapur and Odapada, it is Ichinda and Rairangpur in case of Mayurbhanj.

Similarly Bargaon-Kantapali, Brahmanidhi (Padmapur) will be covered in Bargarh; Gopalpur and Rasulpur blocks in Jajpur and Binika in Subarnapur. At least 30 bamboo artisans in each block will be selected for training in the centre. Subsequently, artisans in other bamboo growing districts will be covered.

SIDAC Member Secretary Sisir Kumar Rath said that the craft is currently very localised and not contemporary in nature. "Our focus is on product development including proper processing of bamboo to make it last longer and contemporising the product designs. We will



empanel a design agency for the purpose and design training will begin in the next 3 to 4 months," he said, adding that bamboo craft is mostly limited to utility products in the State and efforts are on to take it to a level like that in North Eastern states where bamboo products are exported. Bamboo products in Odisha are mostly limited to baskets, furniture and utility items. Last year, the Directorate of Handicrafts and Cottage Industries and OBDA signed an MoU for holistic development of bamboo craft and its artisans at the cost of nearly Rs 7 crore. Around 22,000 artisans are to be covered under the project.

Boost to bamboo craft

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NEW DELHI: All applicants aiming to join the lence. Nobody can join the forces without pocruitment scheme will have to give an undertaking that they were not part of any protest, arson or vandalism, a senior military official said

The comments by Lt Gen Anil Puri, Additional Secretary in the Department of Military Affairs, came amid violent protests against the new model of recruitment of soldiers into the three

The government on Tuesday announced the 'Agnipath' model of recruitment under which soldiers will be inducted into the three services

three services under the 'Agnipath' military re- lice verification..We have made the provisions," Lt Gen Puri said.

He also claimed that the protestors were instigated by "inimical forces" as well as some of the coaching institutes. Lt Gen Puri said around 70 per cent of the aspirants studying in these coaching centres to prepare for entry into the armed forces are from villages. "They were studying taking loans. They were given assurances by these coaching institutes and they have significant contributions in sending them to the streets," he said.

Lt Gen Puri also appealed to the youths to start

preparing for the recruitment tests, saying

it is not easy to clear the physical fitness tests. "The Army, Navy and Air Force are giving time of 45 to 60 days to the youths to prepare for the physical fitness tests and understand the terms and conditions so that you are ready to join us," he said.

The tri-services media briefing at the headquarters of the defence ministry took place hours after Defence Minister Rajnath Singh held a meeting with the chiefs of the Army, Navy and the Air Force for the second straight day. Lt Gen Puri said the major reform initiative in the armed forces has been introduced to bring down their age profile and it has been finalised after years of deliberations and studying the recruitment process in several countries. At the press conference, the three services announced a broad timeline for recruitment of the youths under the 'Agnipath' scheme. Unveiling the scheme on June 14, the government had said youths between the ages of 17 and-a-half and 21 years would be inducted for a four-year tenure under the scheme. The government on Thursday night increased the upper age limit for recruitment under the 'Agnipath' scheme to 23 years from 21 for the year 2022. The announcement of the new scheme came in the backdrop of recruitments into the military remaining stalled over the coronavirus pandemic for two years. The Army annually recruits 50,000 to 60,000 soldiers.



for four years with a provision of retaining 25 per cent of them for an additional 15 years following a selection process.

Is there a hidden agenda of the RSS behind Agnipath? asks Tejashwi Yadav

"The foundation of the Indian armed forces is discipline. There is no space for arson. There is no problem if you show your anger and engage in talks. But there is no space for arson and vandalism," Lt Gen Puri said at a tri-services media briefing.

He said every individual wanting to join the three forces through the 'Agnipath' scheme will have to give an undertaking that they were not part of any protest, arson or vandalism.

Lt Gen Puri said the youths who are part of the arson and violence against the scheme will not be able to join the three services as a police verification process will be carried out before enrolling anyone under the scheme.

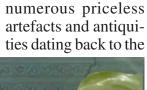
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Pradhan Seeks ASI Care

Minister Dharmendra Pradhan

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on Saturday urged Union Tourism and Culture Minister G Kishan Reddy to ask ASI to take over the excavation and preservation of a recently discovered 2,000year-old post-Mauryan site at Barpali in the Bargarh district.

"I had received a petition from Aswini Sarangi, the History department of Gangadhar Meher University, Sambalpur," Mr.Pradhan said in his letter.

He said that around 60 students, research scholars and faculty of the History department started the excavation on May 31, 2022. The site, which is spread over 17 hectares, has yielded

post-Mauryan period, which was about 2,000 years ago, he said. "The findings indicate that the site was a well-established early trade centre and further digging could perhaps reveal even more startling revelations,"Mr. Pradhan further said. Stating such grand archaeological finding is rare and extremely vulnerable, the Union Minister sought personal intervention of Mr.Reddy in directing officials of the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) to take over the Barpali excavation site for better exploration, examination, analysis and security of the priceless antiquities and historical wealth. The researchers from the School History of Gangadhar Meher University (GMU) have discovered stone tools, rare coins, pottery, weapons, artefacts, ancient bricks and ceramics. The tools discovered were designed to hunt large wild animals. The discovery will

help in understanding migration and subsequent colonisation of this part of India, according to the researchers.

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OPSC Recruits 2277 Officers

Bhubaneswar: The Odisha Public Service Commission (OPSC) has recommended the State Government for appointment of 2277 candidates in Group-A and Group-B Services during the year 2021-22.



2021-22, which was presented to Governor Prof.Ganeshi Lal by OPSC Chairman Dr. Satyajit Mohanty here at Raj Bhavan on Saturday.

The year 2021-22 will be regarded as path-breaking for OPSC in the sense that the Commission published the Recruitment Calendar for the first time since its inception in spite of the apprehension whether it could stick to the deadlines.

OPSC completed all the recruitment commitments as notified in the calendar in spite of the dislocation caused by the Covid-19 pandemic.

During this period 2277 candidates have been recommended for appointment in Group-A and Group-B Services, 1563 promotions have been concurred for 22 Government departments and 224 disci-

plinary proceedings have been disposed of.

This has not only boosted the confidence of the Commission, but has enhanced its credentials among the candidates. This has

> Calendar for the year 2022-23 for more than 5000 posts in 26 Government Department One of the key focus areas of the Commission will be to ensure more transparency in the recruitment process and faster publication of results.

with Recruitment

"We will continue to leverage technology for maintaining

the integrity of the system and adopt objective criteria in every step of the selection process," said Dr. Mohanty.

Upgrading the existing online portal, Integrated Recruitment Management System, to make it more user-friendly, conducting more and more Computer Based Recruitment Examinations (CBRE), masking the identity of the candidates during evaluation of papers and interviews etc. will continue to get the focused attention, he said. The OPSC informed that as part of faster publication of results, the Commission will introduce "on-screen" evaluation of descriptive papers for the current year. The Commission aims at recommending the highest number of candidates in the recruitment year 2022-23, as transpired during the courtesy call.

Scoliosis is treatable but non-preventable: Dr. Thomas Joseph Kishen

According to the American Association of Neurological Surgeons (AANS), about 80 percent of scoliosis cases have no identifiable cause The most common type is 'idiopathic Scoliosis' which means the exact cause is not known

Kolkata (KCN): Manipal Hospitals Bangalore, riding on the success of performing break-

line of the spine, like Congenital Scoliosis, Neuromuscular Scoliosis, Degenerative Scoliosis and IdDr. Thomas Joseph Kishen, said, "Scoliosis is a condition that causes the spine to sideways. curve



through spine surgeries, organized an awareness session on "Different Types of Scoliosis and Symptoms & Effects" with Dr. Thomas Joseph Kishen, Consultant -Spine Surgery & Spine Care at Manipal Hospitals Bangalore, Old HAL Airport Road.

The awareness session was organized at Manipal Hospitals Outreach Clinic at EM Bypass, Kolkata. It was aimed at creating awareness on before and after the Scoliosis Surgery condition and what are the effects on the health condition of a human being.

Dr. Kishen also discussed about the different types Scoliosis, which is a lateral curvature in the normally straight vertical along with focusing on the current cases related to scoliosis and patients travelling from Kolkata, North Eastern part of India to Manipal Hospitals Bangalore. Scoliosis, a sideways curvature of the spine, is a medical condition in which a person's spine has a sideways curve. The curve is usually "S" or "C" shaped. In some people, the degree of curve is stable, while in others, it increases over time. The normal shape of a person's spine includes a curve at the top of the shoulder and a curve at the lower back. If your spine is curved from side to side or in an "S" or "C" shape, you might have scoliosis.

There are different types of scoliosis that affect children and adults. The most common type is "idiopathic," which means the exact cause is not known. Bending of straight spine leads to scoliosis. Mild scoliosis does not typically cause problems, but more severe cases can affect breathing and movement. Pain is usually present in adults, and can worsen with age. It can be treated by Observation, Bracing and Operation process which is also called Triple O formula instead of any medication process. Scoliosis is treatable but it is non-preventable."

Dr. Thomas Joseph Kishen has his expertise in Surgical and

honored with several prestigious awards like Dr. Balu Gold Sankaran Medal for 'Standing first in India in the Diplomate of the National Board Exam' in Orthopaedics for the year 2001. Professor M.V. Daniel Gold Medal for `Exemplary Commitment to Patient Care` for the year 2000 from PSG Institute of Medical Sciences, Coimbatore. Dr. Premananda Nayak Award for the 'Best Outgoing D'Ortho Student` from MAHE University, Manipal for the year 1998. ASSI-Depuy Best Spine Research Award at the ASI conference at Bangalore in January 2005 for the paper titled `Is single-stage posterior column shortening a safe and reliable procedure in active spinal tuberculosis'. He has written numerous articles on Spinal Surgery. Osteoporosis and kyphotic deformity: A very real risk for post-menopausal women - is

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Remote working is the new ethos, can't be rolled back now controversy King Elon Musk revived the sources company CIEL HR for a business daily one day a week from April 11, then for a business day a week from April 11, then for a business day a week from April 11, then for a business day a week from April 11, then for a business day a business day a week from April 11, then for a business day a business day a business d

bate around work-from-home (WFH) two weeks ago after he ordered Tesla employees back to 'physical' work. Those who did not accept the policy to end remote working were curtly told they could "pretend to work somewhere else"! Musk believes to be commercially creative, one requires collective, shop floor presence, which cannot be 'phoned-in'."There are of course com-



last time they shipped a great new product? It's been a while," he said in an email to his employees.

Ironically, Twitter, which Elon Musk is currently in a troubled acquisition game, has a diametrically opposite take. Twitter CEO Parag Aggarwal, wrote to his staff: "As we open back up, our approach remains the same. Wherever you feel most productive and creative is where you will work and that includes working from home full-time forever."

As communities rush to attain normalcy in the post-pandemic phase, the WFH debate has heated up once again. Those operating manufacturing and production lines, can't have remote working. Banks too are insisting on staff coming back to work. On the other hand, tech companies, consultancies and those in financial services have evolved various forms of hybrid 'attendance'.

For individual employees, health issues weigh heavy, and are a deterrent to return to a daily 9to-5 physical routine. In the US, office occupancy is still low. Kastle, which runs a security card access systems at thousands of buildings across the country, says office occupancy in the US is just 43% by May-end. Which way are things going to move?

Experimenting with hybrid

In India, surveys have shown that the hybrid models giving employees a choice, or allowing them to work from multiple locations will continue for some time. A few companies are even recruiting for specific work-from-home placements, where salaries could be 15-20% lower than equivalent 'physical' positions.

A survey of of 600 companies by human re-

War in Ukraine could last "for years," warns NATO chief

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restore everything that was destroyed. Russia does not have as many missiles as our people have the desire to live."

Mykolaiv is a key target for Russia as it lies on the way to the strategic Black Sea port of Odessa.

Zelensky surveyed the city's badly damaged regional administration building and met officials in what appeared to be a basement where he handed out awards to soldiers, in a video released by his office.

Soldiers in Mykolaiv meanwhile were trying to keep their pre-war routines alive, with one saying he would not give up his vegan diet on the frontlines.

Oleksandr Zhuhan said he had received a package from a network of volunteers to keep up his plant-based diet.

"There was pate and vegan sausages, hummus, soya milk... and all this for free," the 37-yearold drama teacher said happily. 'Hero'

Back in Kyiv, with shockwaves from the war continuing to reverberate around the world, thousands gathered to pay tribute to one young man -- Roman Ratushny, a leading figure in Ukraine's pro-European Maidan movement, who was killed fighting Russians in the country's east earlier this month aged just 24. In front of the coffin draped in a yellow and blue Ukrainian flag at the foot of a monument that overlooks the sprawling Independence Square in the capital, people of all ages saluted his memory.

"I think it is important to be here because he is a hero of Ukraine and we must remember him," Dmytro Ostrovsky, a 17-year-old high school student, told AFP.

The loss put a human face on the shared grief

reported more than 50% of these companies had readied policies to continue with remote working after the pandemic recedes. Some like Mondelez and Tata Steel had been recruiting for permanent WFH jobs, while Maruti Suzuki, Mphasis and others had adopted 'flexible office-on-some-days' models.

Most IT companies are working on long-term hybrid models, giving considerable choice to

their employees. Tata Consultancy Services (TCS) is pitching the 'three Es' model for remote working. 'Embrace' is the first step where the employee learns to embrace a passion for work over domestic distractions of household chores, children and food. 'Enable' is for the company to create the right environment and tools

for employees to work remotely; and finally both organisation and employee both need to be 'empowered' to work from anywhere.

There is the other side too. Umpteen surveys have shown that stop-start schedules for hybrid working are exhausting to employees, and lack of clarity of what the company wants makes staffers uncomfortably tethered to 'online attendance'.

Lack of 'physical' team interaction in officers is also telling on morale and collective performance. Those working remotely feel the pressure of being done out of promotions and wage hikes, and discriminated against compared to colleagues who attend office physically and benefit from 'proximity bias' with their bosses and team leaders.

Shift in work ethos

The sum total: work from home is here to stay. The pandemic has created a new mind set and a work culture on how performance is defined where physical presence does not count. Hundreds of employees have benefited from avoiding daily commutes. Thousands of start-ups have saved by winding up expensive rented offices. Large corporations have learnt that, while face-to-face meetings with clients and vendors may create better bonhomie, a zoom meeting may deliver the same results without having to navigate airports and hotels.

The attitude to work of millions will never be the same again. After the flexible cycle of work and leisure at home, they find themselves more productive and less stressed. It's the new normal, and it can't be rolled back easily.

ole learnt the hard way. The Big Tech company first ordered employees to report to work

of Ukrainians, as the bloodshed continues. The worst of the fighting continues to be in the eastern industrial Donbas region, with battles raging in villages outside the city of Severodonetsk, which Russia has been trying to seize for weeks.

"There's an expression: prepare for the worst and the best will come by itself," the governor of the eastern Lugansk region, Sergiy Gaiday, told AFP in an interview from the Ukrainian-controlled city of Lysychansk across the river from Severodonetsk.

"Of course, we need to prepare."

Wearing a flak jacket and carrying gun cartridges and a tourniquet, he said Russian forces "are just shelling our troop positions 24 hours a day."

Earlier, Gaiday said on Telegram that there was "more destruction" at the besieged Azot chemical plant in Severodonetsk, where hundreds of civilians are sheltering.

He also said Lysychansk was being "heavily shelled".

There are signs of preparations for street fighting in the city: soldiers digging in, putting up barbed wire and police placing burnt-out vehicles sideways across roads to slow traffic, as residents were preparing to be evacuated.

"We're abandoning everything and going. No one can survive such a strike," said history teacher Alla Bor, waiting with her son-in-law Volodymyr and 14-year-old grandson.

Meanwhile, pro-Russian officials in the eastern, separatist-held city of Donetsk said five civilians were killed and 12 injured by Ukrainian bombardment.

In Lysychansk, the governor Gaiday said watching his home city, Severodonetsk, be shelled and people he knew dying was "painful." "I'm a human being but I bury this deep inside me," he said, adding that his task is to "help people as much as possible".

week, and from May 28 it was to be 3 days a week. However, the company had to quickly jettison the plan. Ostensibly it was called off because of rising Covid cases, but there was push back from the staff who insisted they could collaborate remotely using online tools like

The trigger was Apple's head of machine learning, Ian Goodfellow, who resigned after being ordered to come in for three days. He had been poached from Google in 2019, and Goodfellow returned to a Google subsidiary called DeepMind.

2022 presidential elections: BJP chief JP Nadda holds meeting with management team

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Ministers G Kishan Reddy and Arjun Ram Meghwal, and BJP general secretaries Vinod Tawde and CT Ravi, were also present at the meeting. According to sources, the BJP's strategy for the presidential election was discussed in detail in the meeting.

The BJP had authorised its president JP Nadda and Union Minister Rajnath Singh to consult with other political parties, including those in the opposition, for building a consensus on a presidential candidate.

Both Nadda and Singh have already reached out to several opposition leaders, including Sharad Pawar, Mamata Banerjee, Nitish Kumar, Naveen Patnaik, and Farooq Abdullah, to reach a consensus candidate for the presidential election.

With numbers on its side, the BJP-led NDA is expected to ensure the victory of its candidate in the presidential elections.

All Eyes on Naveen

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Congress alliance group. He makes an announcement at the last moment and there are instances when Naveen's party says that the BJD members will reveal their cards at the voting hall itself.

However, keeping Naveen's past track records in view, now one can say that the regional outfit will support the BJP-led NDA candidate in the race for the Raisina Hills. Politicians across the country have become acquainted with the moves made by Naveen and do not take his support for guarantee.

Ever since Naveen came to power in 1997, he has sprung many surprises in the state politics. But his moves in the national scenario are well judged by the people both in the government and the opposition.

It will not be correct to say that Naveen finds pleasure by keeping the people guessing. He has some political compulsion. As a regional party, Naveen knows it better that neither the BJP nor the Congress is going to help his state in Eastern India. Odisha used to suffer and neglected during the rules of both the Congress and the BJP. However, during the BJP regime, particularly in the time of Narendra Modi, Odisha has gained more and the reason for that is certainly not the affection of Modi towards Odisha, but for the calculated move of Naveen.

Though he maintained it as a 'Courtesy Call', Naveen met Prime Minister Narendra Modi on 30 May. He, however, said that there was no talk on the Presidential elections at the meeting.

If a video of Naveen's Minister Ranendra Pratap Swain is to be believed, then there should be no doubt that the BJD supremo has placed certain demands in the interest of the state before the Prime Minister. Though it was not expressed in words, Naveen's demand ahead of the Presidential elections and BJP's desperation for support, itself speaks that Naveen means business and wants to get something special for the state before supporting the NDA government.

Naveen and his party have time again announced that the regional party maintains equal distance from both the BJP-led NDA and the Congress-led UPA. Though he does not say anything on the alliance of non-BJP and non-Congress groups, still the BJD refrains from getting identified with them.

After reiterating his 'equal-distance' mantra, Naveen offered BJD's support to Ram Nath Kovind in the 2017 Presidential elections. This apart, beginning from demonetization to 'triple talaq' and amendment of the MMDR Act, Naveen Patnaik has all along supported

Opt for lowest airfare, book tickets 21 days ahead for LTA, meetings: Fin Min tells govt staff NEW DELHI: The Finance Ministry has asked government employees to opt for the 'cheapest fare available' on their entitled travel class and book air tickets at least three weeks prior to their date of travel for tours and LTC (Leave Travel Concession), as it looks to cut down on unnecessary expenditure.

Recognise fake patriots; the country is with you: Priyanka Gandhi to youths protesting Agnipath

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"The name of the poem has been given to a scheme that will destroy the youth. This scheme will destroy the Army. Recognise this government's intentions. In a democratic way and by walking on the path of truth and nonviolence, bring down this government. Your objective should be (to ensure) that such a government is formed in the country which shows real patriotism," Priyanka Gandhi said.

Unveiling the Agnipath scheme, the government had said youths between the ages of 17-and-ahalf and 21 years would be inducted for a fouryear tenure and 25 per cent of the recruits will be retained for regular service. The youths to be recruited under the new scheme would be called 'Agniveer'.

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The upper age limit was raised to 23 years after violent protests against the new model for enrolment of soldiers into the Army, Navy and Air Force erupted in parts of the country.

A major objective of the scheme is to bring down the average age of military personnel and cut the ballooning salary and pension bills. The announcement of the new scheme came against the backdrop of recruitment in the military being stalled over the coronavirus pandemic for over two years.

Narendra Modi government even in the face of criticism. He has supported a BJP candidate in Rajya Sabha elections in 2019.

Naveen's action has encouraged the opposition Congress which took no time to ridicule the BJD for being hand in gloves with the BJP. "Both BJD and the BJP are two sides of one coin", the quote has been reiterated by subsequent OPCC Presidents. Still, Naveen continues to move on his own way notwithstanding the critics, both in the state and the national politics. His policy has paid rich dividends for the regional party and himself in becoming the Chief Minister five times in a row.

Recently, senior BJP leader and Defence Minister Rajnath Singh spoke to Naveen on the upcoming Presidential election on the day when his party BJD skipped the Opposition parties meeting convened by West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee to build consensus on a candidate. However, there has been no confirmation to this from the Chief Minister's Office or BJD sources.

Even as the BJD supported NDA candidate Ram Nath Kovind in the 2017 election, Naveen surprised political pundits and extended his MPs' support to Opposition vicepresidential candidate Gopal Krishna Gandhi in the same year, when NDA fielded M Venkaiah Naidu for the post.

There may be a problem for Naveen if the NDA fields Naidu as its presidential candidate. This is because he has to explain to the people why Venkaiah was not accepted as the VP and supported as a Presidential candidate. The BJD which has nine MPs in Rajya Sabha, 12 MPs in Lok Sabha and 114 MLAs in the state assembly enjoys 2.85 per cent share of votes in the Electoral College for the coming Presidential elections.

While the NDA has 48 per cent of votes in the Electoral College, it requires outside support to the order of more than 2 per cent in order to get its candidate elected as the next President. Apart from BJD, YSR Congress Party also has 4 percent of votes and is not a member of the NDA. The YSRC has also skipped the opposition meeting like BJD.

By supporting the NDA candidate, Naveen in one way makes his party strong at the cost of the BJP. He gives a message to the public that there is no opposition party in Odisha. The state's principal opposition party leaders also seek his votes and therefore bow before the BJD. Therefore, indirectly the message goes to the public that Naveen is supreme in Odisha and not BJP or its leaders including Union Ministers from the state. In his moves on supporting NDA or the Central government, Naveen skillfully kills the BJD's main rival in the state politics.

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Naomi Osaka won't play at Wimbledon, citing Achilles tendon

Igor Stimac rues lack of push but wants to continue CHENNAI: Problem(s). In an open-ended interview-style hour-long conversation with a few sports journalists, it was the one word Igor Stimac kept coming back to more than once. He began the unofficial press conference it wasn't organised by the All India Football Federation (AIFF) or the court-appointed Committee of Administrators (CoA) running it — by stating he was 'very happy at the end of the three years of work'. By the end of the press conference, though, it was clear that the Croat had several misgivings including not being able to speak to journalists often enough. While some of the structural problems he aired are well documented — unable to field play-

ers of origin, duration of the season and the

push quicker for things to happen... throughout last 3 years, we were not in a position to talk too much. It was better for us to concentrate on work. When I took (the) work (job), I was expecting far different situation, I was expecting everyone to be committed in Indian football rise."

While he hasn't given up hope — the defender maintains that "India has a bright future in football" — but wants to sit down with all stakeholders to express his views. "I'm thinking about decision-makers, who I love to see," he explained. "I love to meet them. I use this opportunity to invite and sit down so I can explain where we see India and how we can get there, where India can be proud of its foot-



current league system — he also admitted to a few of the lesser-known issues that has continued to hamper the growth of the football. While he didn't take names, he admitted that a few of the stakeholders involved in the sport's running weren't doing everything in their power to improve the game's standing. "Some of the parties involved here concentrated on their own projects," he said. "(...) ISL will not make India fall in love with Indian football. Only national team will do that. So everyone will have to work for that. So some things will have to change if India wants to go back to its best."

The 54-year-old also suggested that if given the chance to redo the last three years, he might have held more discussions with the AIFF before signing the contract. "Prior to signing the contract... I would have done it differently. I expected that everyone would push more and work on sport's progress.

ball."

Over the last two weeks, India were unscathed as they emerged from their qualification group to advance to the Asian Cup in 2023. At the Asian Cup in 2023, Stimac will arguably face his biggest on-field challenges. Setting the team up to tackle some of the continent's best teams. "I don't fear anyone. Jordan, Qatar, Australia... we need to face them someday. I hope we get enough time to work together.

The coach also said that he has heard the CoA saying that there is enough time for the them to decide on the coach. "They don't seem to know much. That football coaches are hired before the season in June or latest by July. Hope someone will guide them on this.' Stimac also said that CoA should be holding the elections as early as possible so that officials associated with football administration

MP reach Ranji final for first time in 23 years, set up clash with Mumbai

BENGALURU: It had been seven overs since lunch on Day 5 of the Ranji Trophy semifinal clash between Bengal and Madhya Pradesh at Alur on Saturday. Bengal were down to 143/7, having lost two wickets since the break, including their skipper Abhimanyu Easwaran for a stoic 157-ball 78 to Kumar Kartikeya. MP were high on confidence and just needed three good deliveries to reach the final for the first time in 23 years. And then a voice was heard on the stump mic. "Bhai log, kaam nahi hua poora, mehnat karte raho (Brothers, the job is not yet done, keep working hard)," shouted wicketkeeper Himanshu Mantri.

At first, it made one wonder where that was coming from, especially when there was just one recognised batter left in Shahbaz Ahmed and they had 62 overs in hand.

Perhaps, they did not want to have any kind of complacency. After all, they had let Bengal score 273 in the first innings after reducing them to 54/5. And their lead spinners Kartikeya and Saransh Jain had been bowling in tandem for most of the fourth innings. And it was not just Mantri, who was trying to maintain the energy. Every now and then, one could hear voices of motivation from different corners of the ground. Whether it helped or not, one cannot say for certain, but they just needed another eight overs to finish the job at hand. Kartikeya, once again, was the star, picking up 5/67 in the fourth innings as MP dismissed Bengal for 175, registering a massive 174-run victory to reach the final for the first time in 23 years.

When a team achieves a milestone like that, it would be normal for them to be ecstatic. But as Gaurav Yadav castled the stumps to take the final wicket of Mukesh Kumar, apart from the initial roar from the pacer, there was little else. They all shook hands and walked back to the dressing room as one goes home after a day's job. Perhaps that's the kind of approach their head coach Chandrakant Pandit, who also led

MP to the final in 1999, had imbibed in them through their campaign.

When asked about the muted celebrations, he said as much. "I didn't say anything," Pandit said with a smile after the match.

"Celebration, there is one celebration: after winning the final. That is the only celebration in cricket. Happiness, I agree. I have not said anything, but I think they have understood my

(method)," he added. With Pandit, there is no middle ground. When he takes up responsibility, he said, "I try to fulfill my wholehearted passion and commitment." And that attitude was visible from his cadres as well throughout the game. Even when former India batter Manoj Tiwary got out on Day 4, which Pandit called the turning point of the match, barring the initial 'C'mon' or roar from the bowler, none of the celebrations was over the top. It seemed like they are on a mission with Pandit and captain Aditya Shrivastava steering them forward.

In 1999, Madhya Pradesh were well on their way to winning their first-ever title in the final against Karnataka at the M Chinnaswamy Stadium in Bengaluru, with Pandit batting in the middle in the fourth innings, after his side had gained a first-innings lead. But after Vijay Bharadwaj dismissed Pandit, MP crumbled, losing their last six wickets in 7.5 overs. As Pandit returns to the very same venue with MP after 23 years -this time as a coach -- to take on Mumbai, he believes it's happening for a reason. "I don't know what God is expecting. He is definitely taking us there for some reason. What he had given Karnataka in the last seven overs (23 years ago), the trophy, probably, he wants to return it for us." Brief scores: Madhya Pradesh 341 & 281 bt Bengal 273 & 175 (Abhimanyu Easwaran 78, Shahbaz Ahmed 22 n.o; Kumar Kartikeya 5/67; Gaurav Yadav 3/19). Mumbai 393 & 533/ 4 decl (Yashasvi 181, Armaan 127, Sarfaraz 59 n.o, Shams 51 n.o) bt Uttar Pradesh 180.

LONDON: Naomi Osaka pulled out of Wimbledon on Saturday, citing a lingering problem with her left Achilles tendon and marking the second consecutive year she's decided to sit out the grass-court Grand Slam tournament.

The four-time major champion and former No.1-ranked player posted a photo of herself on a grass court and wrote on Twitter: "my Achilles still isn't right so I'll see you next time."

Osaka has not played an official match since losing in the first round of the French Open to Amanda Anisimova 7-5, 6-4 on May 24. During that match, for which she said she took a painkiller, Osaka tried to stretch her tendon by tugging on the toe of her shoe at changeovers and squatting to flex her lower leg between points.

After that defeat, Osaka said she was leaning toward missing Wimbledon because the professional tennis tours aren't ranking points awarded — a response to the All England Club's decision to bar all players from Russia and Belarus over the war in Ukraine.

"I'm not sure why, but I feel like if I play Wimbledon without points, it's more like an exhibition. I know this isn't true, right? But my brain just feels that way. Whenever I think something is like an exhibition, I just can't go at it 100%," Osaka said then.

"I didn't even make my decision yet, but I'm

leaning more towards not playing, given the current circumstances."

Eugenie Bouchard, who was the runner-up at



the All England Club in 2014, announced Friday on social media that she would not play at Wimbledon because there are no ranking points available. Bouchard is working her way back from surgery on her right shoulder.

Osaka did not play at Wimbledon a year ago as part of a mental health break she took after pulling out of the French Open before her second-round match. She has not won a match at the All England

Club since getting to the third round in 2018. Osaka lost in the first round of Wimbledon in 2019, and the tournament was canceled in 2020 because of the coronavirus pandemic. All four of Osaka's Grand Slam titles came on hard courts: at the US Open in 2018 and 2020 and at the Australian Open in 2019 and 2021. The 24-year-old Osaka has played only 17 matches this season and her ranking fell to No 43 this week.



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