

## ABWJAI organises a grand seminar on “Role of Journalists and citizens in Nation Building”



**PURI (KCN):** ABAJ of INDIA organised a grand seminar on Role of Journalists & Citizens of India in Nation Building at Circuit House Meeting Hall, Puri, Odisha on 26.03.2023.

In this Program, under the Chairmanship of the ABWJAI, Chairperson, Senior Journalist Sunil Kumar Mishra, Former Director Information & Public Relation, North Eastern Region, Prof. Manas Ranjan Mahapatra, Editor & Academics participated as Chief Guest of the above mentioned Seminar & Dr. Pabitra Mohan Samantray, Chief Editor of the Kalinga Chronicle, English Daily Newspaper & the Paryabekhyak, Odia Daily Newspaper joined as Guest of Honors & Chief Speaker in this Program.

Dr. Pabitra Mohan

Samantray, Chief Speaker of this Occasion told that I have visited numbers of Foreign Countries where Journalists have a certain prestige, dignity, importance & much more role in Nation Building, but India, the Journalists are passing through & facing ups & downs, problems, obstacles & are fighting for existence. To run a Newspaper particularly in Odisha State is too difficult.

We all Journalist are to be united & we have to join hand with Apex Body of Working Journalists Association India & AWAJ of India Chairperson Sunil Kumar Mishra is organising meetings across India to unite all Journalists & to bring into them in one Platform.

Personally, I do give thanks to Sunil Kumar Mishra & I am always with Sunil Kumar Mishra

DI & PRO of Puri Sri Santosh Sethi &

Organisation of United Working Journalists, Odisha State President Sanjay Das, both joined as Special Guest of Honors.

Chief Guest, Editor, Academicians, Former Director, Information & PR, North Eastern Region Prof. Manas Ranjan Mohapatra expressed his experiences in Information & Public Relation when he was working & he told that in North Eastern Region, there were something same status of Journalists as the rest three pillars.

DI & PRO, Puri Sri Santosh Sethi exchanged his experiences in the field of Information & Public Relation as well as the Role of Journalists in Nation Building.

OIJW State President, Sanjay Das told about their Organisation that OIJW has already been started for the development, welfare as well as in health sectors for the Rural / Village Level

Journalists friends, Organisation will bear all expenditures in any rural / village level Journalists faces any medical problems.

The High Tech Medical College Founder & Chairman Dr. Tirupati Panigrahi has given strong assurance to OIJW.

For the first time AWAJ / ABAJ of India honoured few Senior Journalists, Social Workers, Poet, Writer & Senior Advocates of Puri. Among them Senior Journalist Bijoy Kumar Pattnaik, Senior Journalist Narayan Prasad Singh of Puri, Sri Umabalav Mahapatra, Senior Gandhian Thinker & Senior Advocate, Senior Social Worker Sri Suryanarayan

Rath, Senior Author & Social Worker, Smt. Pratima Mishra, Poet & Writer, Smt. Minati Mishra, Editor & Academicians, Professor Manas Ranjan Mahapatra, Senior Editor & Senior Journalist of India Dr. Pabitra Mohan Samantray, Critic & Social Activist, Dr. Kailash Chandra Tikaitray & Journalist, Social Worker & Organiser Sri Prashanna Kumar Lenka were honoured with Certificates & offered Shawal (Utariya).

In this auspicious gathering, Journalist, Writer Research Scholar, Dr. Sudipta Mishra, Writer & Astrologer, Dr. Sasmita Mishra, Poet & Writer,

Smt. Minati Mishra, Writer, Singer & Ex. Head Mistress, Smt. Manjushree Mishra, Sri Umabalav Mahapatra, Suryanarayan Rath, Journalist & a successful Entrepreneur Santosh Kumar Mishra of Dandamkundpur, Puri, Senior Journalist & Treasurer of ABWJAI Sarat Chandra Behera, Executive Member of Apex Body of Working Journalists Association, Sr. Journalist & Advocate Sai Prasad Parida of Berhampur, Ganjam District, Odisha, Executive Member of ABWJAI, Sr. Journalist, Kishor Kumar Mohanty of Balasore, District, Odisha, Senior Journalist & Secretary General of OIJW Sri Hrushikesh

Mohanty, Senior Journalist & Advisor of OIJW, Sri Rajanikanta Samantray, Senior Journalist & Chief Election Officer of OIJW, Sri. Nrupa Kishor Pattanaik, Senior Journalist Bijoy Kumar Pattanaik, Senior Journalist, Sri Narayan Prasad Singh of Puri, Journalist, Smt. Sandipta Dey, Journalist Madan Mohan Rout, Mamta Mohanty, Subta Behera, Ankita Dey, Jyotirmayee Mishra, Basanti Mishra, Sunii Mishra & Deepak Kumar Behera of Puri, Odisha, India were participated & gave their valuable positive & constructive suggestions & advices in Nation Building as well as they are ready to cooperate & stand before & behind the Journalists friends & they all will join in the near future Mega Rally & Meeting of Apex Body of Working Journalists Association of India in New Delhi.

All Journalists, Social Workers, Advocates, Sensitive

Intellectuals who were present today Meeting & Seminar gave strong assurance that as the Journalists demands are justified & genuine, we all are with them till to the fulfillment of their demands & we all will also request & create a positive pressure on Government

. Today's Meeting became talk of Puri town

. Senior Journalist Sri Rajanikanta Samantray gave vote of thanks.

Chairperson of AWAJ/ABAJ of INDIA gave thanks to Mr. S. A. Verma, IAS, District collector & Magistrate as Mr. Verma is a dynamic, energetic & result oriented IAS Officer & he told that he knows him when Mr. Verma was Collector, Sambalpur & Mr. Verma always gives importance, prestige, dignity, help & cooperation to Journalist Friends

## Centre Directs Odisha Chief Secretary To Take Action Against VK Pandian

**Bhubaneswar(KCN):** The Department of Personnel & Training, Government of India has written to the Odisha Chief Secretary directing the official to take 'appropriate action' against 5T Secretary VK Pandian on the basis of a complaint filed by Bhubaneswar MP Aparajita Sarangi and Odisha BJP President Manmohan Samal. Sarangi and Samal had earlier written to Dr. Jitendra Singh, Minister of State, Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances, Pensions of India, Government of India alleging that Pandian was involved in political activities, announcing projects and

addressing public gatherings with speeches having political overtones.

"VK Pandian is moving around the state using the state plane/ helicopter and attending public reception, addressing public meetings and announcing new projects and as per his own claims, all this 'on the instructions of the Hon'ble CM!' This is being done in clear violation of Rule 5 (1) and Rule 12 (1) of All India Services Conduct Rules, 1968," the two had mentioned in the letter enclosing photographs and videos of the incidents.

"The concerned officer is proclaiming such



participation in public gatherings and speech making at the behest of Hon'ble CM whereas there is no such instruction of the Hon'ble CM available everywhere. Even if there was an instruction to go to the field to supervise development works, the activities of the officer, under the garb of supervision of

development works, are in clear violation of the Conduct Rules," the two BJP leaders had said in the letter.

"The Secretary level bureaucrat is doing whirlwind tours using the state plane/ chopper, participating in public functions, participating in meetings organized with shamiana and decoration resembling a

Biju Janata Dal (BJD) Party meeting ambience and organizers being prominent BJD faces of the area, receiving public reception where people are sprinkling flowers and the said officer is announcing projects worth crores is actually very disturbing for the Governance System of Odisha. IAS officers are bound by All India Service Conduct Rules and such spectacle by a serving officer is unheard of in any other part of India," Sarangi and Samal mentioned in the letter.

They had urged Dr. Jitendra Singh for an immediate enquiry and appropriate action by the department.

**Bhubaneswar(KCN):** Continuing its strong action against corruption, the State Government today ordered compulsory retirement of OAS officer and Additional Sub-Collector of Nabarangpur, Prasanta Kumar Rout, who was arrested on charges of possessing disproportionate assets worth Rs 5 crore.

During the raids, vigilance officials had recovered cash of Rs 3.02 crores from Shri Rout's residences at Bhubaneswar and Nabarangpur, bank & insurance deposits over Rs. 92.34 lakhs, five



plots, one building, two four wheelers, gold jewellery worth Rs 27.27 lakh. Besides, Shri Rout spent Rs. 87 lakh on medical education of his daughter and educational expenditure of his son. The Odisha Administrative Service (OAS) officer was also found to own five plots, including four in Cuttack

## Election For 10 Rajya Sabha Seats On July 24, Says Poll Commission

**New Delhi:** Elections will be held for 10 Rajya Sabha seats across three states on July 24. Bengal has the largest number of seats -- six, followed by Gujarat which has three seats and Goa, one. Making the announcement today, the Election Commission

said the counting of votes will be held on the same day. The nominations have to be filed by July 13.

In Bengal, the terms of Derek O'Brien, Dola Sen, Pradip Bhattacharya, Sushmita Dev, Shanta Chhetri and Sukhendu Shekhar Ray

and Bhubaneswar, a 'benami' plot at Umerkote in Nabarangpur district/ In total, he was found earning disproportionate assets worth Rs 5.21 crore, which is more than 500 per cent of his known source of income. Rout was arrested by the vigilance on June 24. Rout is facing four corruption cases and departmental proceedings. The action was taken following the state government's zero-tolerance policy towards corruption. Since 2019, the state government has taken action against 188 corrupt officials.

are expiring.

In Gujarat, the tenure of Foreign Minister S Jaishankar, Dinesh Jemalbhai Anavadia and Lokhandwala Jugal Singh Mathurji are also scheduled to end. In Goa, the outgoing MP is Vinay Tendulkar.

## Devotee Dies At Gundicha Temple After Sandhya Darshan In Odisha's Puri

**Puri(KCN):** A devotee breathed his last at Shri Gundicha temple today after having Sandhya Darshan of the Lord Jagannath and His siblings in Odisha's Puri during the annual sojourn of the Holy Trinity. The deceased was identified as 82-year-old Laxmidhar Khuntia, who belonged to Kakatpur Bazaar of the district. He had come to the shrine along with his family to pay their obeisance to the deities.

A police source said that the octogenarian was a retired school headmaster. The elderly man was also a senior Congress leader in the district. "Laxmidhar Khuntia felt uneasy and suddenly collapsed.

However, the reason behind his death has not been ascertained yet," the senior official said. A pall of gloom descended on the locality after news about his sad demise spread.

It is pertinent to mention here that a devotee died on June 4 after falling ill at Lord Jagannath temple in Puri during the performance of Snana Jatra rituals of the presiding deity and His siblings. The deceased man was identified as Ambalal Bhoi from Rajasthan. He had complained of uneasiness while he was at the 12th Century shrine.

# Mantra For Budding OAS

**Bhubaneswar(KCN):** The Induction Training Programme of OAS (DR) – 2020 batch probationers has been inaugurated today by Pradeep Kumar Jena, Chief Secretary, Odisha. Out of 129 OAS Probationers who have joined to undergo training under Gopabandhu Academy of Administration, 128 belong to the OAS (DR) – 2020 batch and 1 is from the (DR) – 2018 batch. The batch comprises of 56 women and 73 men. The 22 weeks long Induction Training Programme is scheduled from 26 June to 24 November. Sri Jena, as Chief Guest of the event, in his encouraging keynote address urged that the probationers who would be serving the government for about 30 to 35 years, will be

leading Odisha from transition to transformative changes through continuous acquisition of knowledge, internalising 5T approach, innovative thinking, efficient service delivery, optimizing resources, ensuring quality and abiding strictly the Odisha Government Conduct Rules. He maintained that in a life cycle approach, learning is a continuous process that starts with nurturing and mentoring at the early stage. It continues through self-learning, innovations and evaluations with integrity to the government system throughout the service tenure. Gopabandhu Academy of Administration provides opportunities



and prepares young administrative officers inculcating these habits and disciplines. He appreciated the innovative initiatives of the current DG, GAA in enhancing the quality of teaching and learning experiences despite limitations. He thanked GAA for extending the training period from 18 weeks to 22 weeks in modular approach, knowledge

sharing by internal and external resources and exposures. He is optimistic that this phase of training will be instrumental in building the young probationers as full-fledged officers with high integrity and value system. OAS probationers are advised to follow their discipline and find out their own right path. With citation of certain remarkable milestones

Odisha has achieved over the years, across sectors, he expected that the young probationers would take leadership in bureaucracy to transform the vision into reality. Raj Kumar Sharma, the Director General of Gopabandhu Academy of Administration, and Member, Board of Revenue, Government of Odisha, attributed the young probationers as

'Karmaveer', as agents of transformative governance, and as epitome of civil services. He emphasized upon the importance of the three cornerstones of GAA – Mahatma Gandhi's Talisman, the path finding deliberation of Sardar Vallabh Bhai Patel to IAS probationers on 21 April 1947, and the philosophy of '5T'

towards leading a successful public service career. Sharing his experiences with changing development trends of Odisha, he noted that the State has taken significant stride shifting away from relative backwardness in pre 2000 scenario to a progressive State as on today in many sectors, especially with proven credentials in disaster management, water resources and agriculture. He expected that the young probationers will contribute sincerely and significantly in Odisha's progressive journey into future. At the outset, Manish Agrawal, Additional Director General, GAA briefed about the composition of the OAS (DR) – 2020 batch, duration and the design of training programme.

He informed that GAA has taken adequate measures to ensure balanced combination of indoor academic sessions and outdoor activities, all within the framework of the course structure. The course modules will be transacted by internal and external module coordinators. He also stated about the resource agencies such as XIMB, CUTM, OCAC, ROTI with whom technical collaborations have been made. He comprehended the training pedagogy as learning by doing, seeing and by being. Himanshu Bhusan Panda, Additional Commissioner, GAA, offered vote of thanks. Mamatarani Naik, Joint Director, GAA anchored the programme.

## IEC Stall of OSCPCR disseminating message of Child Protection

**PURI,(KCN):**On the occasion of World Famous Rathayatra, an IEC stall of Odisha State Commission for Protection of Child Rights, Bhubaneswar in coordinated with District Administration inaugurated by Mr. Pradip Amat Hon'ble Minister of Panchayatraj and Drinking Water, Govt of Odisha along with other dignitaries namely Mr. Tusharkant Behera Hon'ble Minister of Home and Sports & Youth Affairs, Mr Samir Ranjan Dash Nimapada MLA, Mr. Umakant Samantaray Satyabadi MLA & Mr. Jayant Kumar Sarangi Puri MLA on 19th Jun 2023. On the grand opening of IEC stall the Chairperson, OSCPCR Ms Mandakinee Kar felicitated to the Ministers and MLAs present over there. Ms. Kar said that the IEC stall would work till Bahuda Yatra which would disseminate child protection message to the



public in the National Pallishree Mela Ground of Bholanatha Vidyapitha, Puri. It will be helpful for teachers, parents, guardians and people those who are working for children to know about rights of children, their psychology and protection measures and services provided by Government. After Inauguration, Ministers and MLAs were conferred messages on child protection for public. Thereafter all the dignitaries and person present there at stall

taken photos with selfie stand. 30 volunteers have been deployed in 11 different locations of the district for rescue, production and rehabilitation of children need of care and protection. Since Rathayatra the volunteers along with childline, DCPU and Child Welfare Committee working for 24hrs to rescue missing, runaway children and to prevent child begging, child labour, child trafficking etc. Public are taking photos in selfie stand with

recognized icon Kuni Jhia to prevent Child Marriage, priorities to girl child to achieve the aim of Beti Bachao Beti Padhao. Mr. Manoj Kumar Tripathy, District Child Protection Officer, Puri said the District Administration has been taken all sorts of effort keeping every aspects of child protection including IEC activities, operation of SOP for CNCPS and Chairperson, CWC said that we have alert for 24hrs to address any kind of issues of children to make the Rathayatra child friendly

## LI For Ex-MLA

**Bhubaneswar(KCN):** A special court here on Tuesday awarded life imprisonment to former Gunupur MLA Ramamurthy Gomango for killing his five months pregnant wife in 1995. The body of Shri Gomango's wife Sashirekha was found with severe burn injuries at the MLA's official quarter in MLA colony in Bhubaneswar on August 29, 1995. Initially, the police had registered an unnatural death case but after a probe the case was converted to a murder case under Sections 302 (punishment for murder) and 201 (causing disappearance of evidence of offence) of the Indian Penal Code (IPC). Public Prosecutor



Rashmi Ranjan Brahma said the Judge who had heard the case had convicted the former legislator from Gunupur Assembly Constituency, Ramamurthy Gomango, in the murder case on June 24. On Tuesday the Judge pronounced the quantum of punishment in the murder case and sentenced the former MLA to life

imprisonment under section 302 of IPC, he said. The former MLA was also slapped with a penalty of Rs 50,000 and in default of which he would further undergo another one year jail, Shri Brahma said. The court also imposed Rs 10,000 fine on the former MLA and said if the convict would fail to pay the fine he would further undergo another six months jail term. Shri Brahma said the court pronounced the judgement after examining the statements of 11 witnesses and 15 documents pertaining to the murder case. The counsel for Shri Gomango however pleaded the court that considering the age of

his client and his illness the court should show some leniency in awarding the quantum of punishment. The public prosecutor told the court that this was a rarest of rare case in which a five months pregnant lady was burnt alive by her husband who tried to destroy the evidence stating that his wife had committed suicide. Shri Brahma said the police found no evidence about the theory of suicide case as told by the former MLA as all the items in the bathroom were found intact and the police found a kerosene jar and match box which were used to set ablaze the pregnant lady mercilessly.

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# 5 Times When Manoj Bajpayee Proved His Acting Excellence

Manoj Bajpayee is a highly acclaimed figure in the Indian film industry. With a background in theatre, he has seamlessly transitioned to the big screen, showcasing his exceptional acting abilities time and again. With a career spanning nearly three decades, this esteemed actor has garnered numerous accolades for his outstanding performances. Among his many achievements, he was honored with the prestigious Padma Shri award and a national award too, recognizing his significant contributions to the art of acting. With his unwavering passion and commitment to his craft, Manoj Bajpayee stands as a true icon of Indian cinema, continuously pushing boundaries and setting new benchmarks.



His journey is a testament to his extraordinary talent and serves as an inspiration to aspiring actors across the nation. 1. Sirf Ek Bandaa Kaafi Hai [ZEE5] Inspired by true events, 'Sirf Ek Bandaa Kaafi Hai' is a courtroom drama directed by Apoorv Singh Karki, starring Manoj Bajpayee as lawyer P.C Solanki. It

is the story of an ordinary man - a high court lawyer who single-handedly fought an extraordinary case against the country's biggest godman and successfully ended up prosecuting him for the rape of a minor under the POCSO act. Manoj Bajpayee's portrayal of PC Solanki was loved and appreciated by audiences across the globe. Not just

that, he even received a standing ovation at the New York Indian Film Festival for this film. Manoj Bajpayee's performance in Bandaa is being called his best to date and is a must-watch! 2. Silence... Can You Hear It? [ZEE5] The film revolves around the enigmatic vanishing of a woman named Pooja Chaudhary. Manoj Bajpayee portrays the

role of ACP Avinash Verma, who has been assigned to lead this high-profile case. As the search continues, a complex network of secrets and lies is uncovered, exposing the concealed realities behind Pooja's disappearance. Critics and audiences alike have widely appreciated Manoj Bajpayee's acting in this film. His portrayal of Avinash Verma has been praised for its depth of nuances. He has skillfully portrayed the intricacies of the character, conveying a diverse array of emotions and inner struggles. His performance is notable for effectively portraying the inner turmoil and determination of his character, whether in moments of quiet introspection or intense confrontations making this film a must-watch!

3. The Family Man [Amazon Prime Video] The Family Man is an intriguing action-drama series that follows the life of Srikant Tiwari, a middle-class man working as a seemingly ordinary government employee while also serving as a highly skilled intelligence officer for the fictional Threat Analysis and Surveillance Cell (TASC). Manoj Bajpayee's portrayal of Srikant Tiwari has been widely acclaimed and loved by audiences. He brings a perfect balance of vulnerability, wit, and intensity to the character, making him incredibly relatable and engaging. Bajpayee's ability to seamlessly transition between Srikant's ordinary family life and his high-stakes undercover missions is truly remarkable.

## Adipurush Dialogue Controversy: Allahabad High Court Slams Censor Board, Questions Absence Of Makers



The Lucknow bench of the Allahabad High Court, on Monday came down heavily on the makers of the recently released Pan-India release 'Adipurush' amid the ongoing row around

the films' dialogues. During a hearing on a plea certain contentious dialogues in 'Adipurush', the court asked "what is it that the censor board keeps doing? What do you want to teach the future generations?" The

court also questioned the absence of the producer, director and other parties during the hearing. The petition was filled by advocate Kuldeep Tiwari. The next hearing in the case was scheduled on Tuesday.

Directed by Om Raut, 'Adipurush', which is an adaptation of the epic Ramayana, has drawn heavy criticism post-release. From critics to reviewers, many voiced misgivings over certain dialogues in the film. Among the dialogues over which the makers have drawn flak are 'Marega bete', 'Bua ka bagicha hain kya' and 'Jalegi tere baap ki'. The film stars Prabhas as Lord Ram, Kriti as Goddess Sita, Sunny Singh as Laxman, and Saif Ali Khan as Ravana, the mythical hydra-headed demon king in the epic. In the face of online outrage and negative reviews, the makers of 'Adipurush' revamped the dialogues.

## Hrithik Roshan Drops First Glimpse Of Fighter, Leaves Fans Surprised



Actor Hrithik Roshan, on Monday, shared the first glimpse from his upcoming aerial action thriller film 'Fighter'. Taking to Instagram, Hrithik shared the picture which he captioned, "#Fighter #25Jan2024 #7MonthsToFighter." In the still, Hrithik faced his back to the camera. He appeared to be dressed in an airforce suit and stood close to what appeared to be fighter jets. Helmed by Siddharth Anand 'Fighter' stars Hrithik, Deepika Padukone, and Anil Kapoor in the lead roles and is all set to hit the theatres on January 25, 2024. Soon after the 'Krrish' actor dropped the still, fans flooded the comment section with red hearts and fire emoticons.

Anil Kapoor, Vaani Kapoor, Sanjeeda Shaikh, Pasma Roshan also reacted to Hrithik's 'Fighter' post. The film marks Deepika and Hrithik's first on-screen collaboration. 'Fighter' also stars Karan Singh Grover and Akshay Oberoi in pivotal roles. Meanwhile, Hrithik was last seen in a crime thriller film 'Vikram Vedha' alongside Saif Ali Khan and Radhika Apte, which got decent responses from the audience. Deepika, on the other hand, she will also be seen in an upcoming Pan India film 'Project K' opposite south actor Prabhas, and Amitabh Bachchan. Helmed by Nag Ashwin, the film is all set to hit the theatres on January 12, 2024. She also has 'The Intern' alongside Amitabh Bachchan in her kitty. Anil Kapoor will be next seen 'The Night Manager - Part 2' alongside Aditya Roy Kapur. The series will stream on the OTT platform Disney+ Hotstar from June 30.

## The Kerala Story Makers Announce Next Film Bastar

Filmmakers Vipul Shah and Sudipto Sen, who recently worked together on 'The Kerala Story', are now all set to come up with a new project titled 'Bastar'. Shah's Sunshine Pictures, the banner behind the upcoming movie, shared the announcement on its Twitter page. The film will be released in theatres on April 5, 2024. "Unveiling our next, #Bastar. Prepare to witness another gripping

true incident that will leave you speechless. Mark your calendars for April 5, 2024! #VipulAmrutalShah @SudiptoSen @Ashin\_A\_Sha #SunshinePictures," a post read. As per the makers, the film is inspired by 'incident'. They also unveiled the poster which read, "hidden truth that will take the nation by a storm." More details regarding the film are awaited. Shah and

Sudipto's first collaboration 'The Kerala Story' emerged as one of the most successful films at the box office in 2023 so far. It depicts how thousands of young women were allegedly brainwashed into joining the Islamic State (IS) and heading off to countries like Syria and Afghanistan. 'The Kerala Story' has been in the scanner ever since the trailer was released. The film's

trailer had claimed that 32,000 women went missing from Kerala, many had objected to the estimated figures. West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee had labelled it a 'distorted story', and also imposed a ban on the film in the state, which was lifted after the Supreme Court asked the state government to remove the ban on the screening of the film.

# Anjali Arora, Prince Narula Shake Legs On Street In New Video, Flaunt Cool Dance Moves

Anjali Arora has been making headlines for her Instagram reels. Anjali, who appeared in Kangana Ranaut-hosted reality show 'Lock Upp' and emerged as one of the finalists, has collaborated with reality show star Prince Narula in her latest video. The duo is seen showing off some cool moves and swag to the beats of 'Outta Reach'.



as ever in an orange shirt and ripped denim. The video garnered close to 3 lakh views in less than a day of it getting released.

The video has garnered a lot of attention online and many of her fans commented on it. Anjali often takes to

the internet with her dance videos and reels on social media. A few days back, she shared a video where she grooved to Yo

Padukone's 'Besharam Rang' song moves and shared her video dancing to the sizzling number. A few months back, Anjali made headlines for an alleged MMS viral clip which surfaced online. The private video went viral and many assumed that the girl in it is Anjali, however, looks like that's not the case. Later, breaking her silence on the alleged intimate video leak, Anjali Arora while talking to Siddharth Kanan, spoke about it. She revealed such things affect her and her family.

Yo Honey Singh's new song 'Kudi Chamkeeli' from Akshay Kumar and Emraan Hashmi's 'Selfie' film. Anjali danced to the track in a sizzling red hot lehenga choli set setting the stage on fire. Anjali Arora has over 12.2 million followers on Instagram alone and often shares updates about her projects, music videos and other stuff. She shot to fame after her video on 'Kacha Badam' became an instant hit on social media. Sometime back she recreated Deepika

## BIG DATA IS LIKE THE NEW GOLD FOR BUSINESSES

Prof. Sunil Goyal



In 1998, India made history by conducting a successful nuclear test at Pokhran under the leadership of Prime Minister Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee. India's former President Dr. A. P. J. Abdul Kalam was the man who spearheaded the project and helped India in proving its mettle around the world. Big data is a combination of structured, semi structured and unstructured data collected by organizations that can be mined for information and used in machine learning projects, predictive modelling and other advanced analytics applications. Systems that process and store big data have become a common component of data management architectures in organizations, combined with tools that support big data analytics uses. Data that has become so large and complicated for the traditional computer system to make sense of is referred to as Big Data. However, Big Data

impact statistics have shown that it can become a goldmine to whoever understands its capacity. According to McKinsey, Organizations that are data-driven are 23x more likely to acquire new leads than those without a data-driven strategy. Big Data can be a source of insight for those that care to put in the work, understand patterns in its data, and relate them to their various businesses. Facebook is an exemplary example of a company that is effectively utilizing both Big Data and AI to understand its audience better. As per ZD Net, 22.91.6% of Fortune 1000 companies are investing more in Big Data and AI. Big Data is like the new gold for businesses. Coupled with AI, a good deal of information can be extracted from both structured and unstructured data. The Fortune 1000 companies know this. The most successful entrepreneurs also know this. For this reason, technology

growth statistics tell us that these companies always have a specified budget put in place for data analytics. As per Datamation, two-thirds of organizations that have utilized Big Data effectively have reportedly seen a decrease in operational expenses. Big Data impact statistics reveal that for businesses that can do away with the junk of unuseful data, Big Data can provide direct and specific information about what works for such businesses and what does not. That way, these businesses can avoid the trouble of wasting time, effort, and resources on strategies that don't give results. Instead, it enables them to focus all of those energy and resources on what works. According to Forbes, we generate 2.5 quintillion bytes of data daily. According to tech growth statistics, we now produce data in trillions and quintillions daily. This number has been on the rise over the last few years, meaning that we

should expect to produce more in the next 2-3 years. By increasing their effectiveness at utilizing Big Data, Fortune 1,000 companies can increase their net income by up to \$65 million. 71% of companies find it difficult to protect and manage unstructured data. 83% of organizations worldwide are currently investing in various Big Data projects. Given how rapidly technology is growing, and the millions of data being generated daily, top company executives are beginning to realize the usefulness of Big Data. Some even

argue that failure to invest in Big Data for any business is like walking your way towards bankruptcy. Statistapredict that Analytics and big data will bring in an income of \$274 billion by 2024. Revenue from big data and analytics has been on an upward rise over the last few years. By Q4 of 2021, a data centre Internet Protocol (IP) traffic reached 19.5 zettabytes. Business Intelligence (BI) analytics will be worth \$14.5 billion in 2022. Big Data could attain a market size of \$77 billion by 2023. Big

Data volume statistics have shown that I cannot overemphasize its importance. This follows as hundreds of organizations around the world are already investing directly and indirectly into its befitting features. Insights from Big Data analytics can pioneer a small startup into becoming a multinational organization within the shortest possible time. According to Big Data impact statistics, the ability to extract, understand, and utilize Big Data has a direct impact on both sales and

revenue. With Big Data, businesses can better understand their customers, thereby channelling their efforts towards what works and increasing conversion rates. As enticing as the idea of Big Data analytics may seem, it still requires a lot of technical and specialized kind of skillset to make sense of the large chunk of available data. Thankfully, the best data visualization software can transform huge amounts of raw data into easy-to-digest visuals. These can provide decision-makers with valuable insights quickly and easily. The availability of Big Data, low-cost commodity hardware, and new information management and analytic software have produced a unique moment in the history of data analysis. The convergence of these trends means that we have the capabilities required to analyze

astonishing data sets quickly and cost-effectively for the first time in history. These capabilities are neither theoretical nor trivial. They represent a genuine leap forward and a clear opportunity to realize enormous gains in terms of efficiency, productivity, revenue, and profitability. The Age of Big Data is here, and these are truly revolutionary times for both business and technology professionals continue to work together and deliver on the promise.

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## The Engaging Occupational Glimpse about Prof. Asish K. Das



Rudrarup Gupta

Prof. Asish K. Das is a renowned researcher, writer, journalist respectively. He is comprehensively involved with most significant "Science Popularization and Convention" since his worthy student's life in National Medical College. On the other hand, Asish Das has been participating in multifarious programmes based upon "Science" in both our very prestigious "Akashbani and Doordarshan" for last 25 long years. The prime topic of those elite programmes are about the core discipline of research of our acclaimed "Nobel Laureates" in Science. It is quite evident to state that Prof. Das was the head in the department of Science of at a stretch 15 years. These are such formidable occupational benchmarks have truly inspired him to write in such most distinguished esteemed like "The Telegraph, Know-How" and so on for almost 5 years indeed. In other words, Prof. Das has received an exclusive responsibility of

"Advice from Clinic" from Shri Uttam Sengupta (Editor of Times of India) in a programme of Jadavpur University. He undoubtedly served there for 4 consecutive years. It is indeed very enlightening that Prof. Das has conducted almost a massive number of "Talk Shows" about both "Health & Education"



in different popular "Television Channels" till today. He was appointed as "Chief of News Bureau" of High News until he aspired to proceed in United States of America. He came back in India in the month of January, 2023. The exiting fact is that he has covered a lot of gorgeous programmes in both Dallas (Texas) and California respectively. It would be quite noticeable that Prof. Das has contributed almost in each Bengali and English esteemed along with Magazines like Ananda Bazar Patrika, Aajkal, Bartaman, Statesman and so on. Another

memorable contribution is he has taught in the department of "Mass Communication and Journalism", The University of Calcutta as a "Guest Professor". In the same light Prof. Das has contributed in some scintillating projects of "Books" entitled: "Jigyasha (Authored by Prof. Das)", "Rup Turuper Pasha (Edited

by Prof. Das)" which have got the exceptional repute and both the creative ventures have already been well appreciated indeed. Prof. Das is having several papers according to his adorable brilliance of "Research" which have been published in both "National and International Journals" in a befitting manner. He is a successful recipient of several "Awards" which are following: 1. "Jagadish Chandra Bose Silver Memento" by "Science Association of Bengal" for "Popularization of Science".

2. Best Anchor for "Health Talk Show" by "NITV" and many more. He was one of the noted mentors in an elite course entitled: "Science Communication and Media Practice" for long period of time which was regulated by "Indian Science News Association" of Rajabazar Science College. Apart from the same Asish Babu is a member of both "Press Club, Kolkata and Indian Journalist Association (IA). The most commendable paradigm of his life was he has protested against "Air Horn" along with "Science Friendly" people in different places like Shyam Bazar 5point crossing in 80th century and as a matter of the fact is Renowned Honourable Justice of Kolkata High Court Late Bhagabati Prasad Bandopadhyaya has really granted this concept of "Sound Pollution" under a legitimate law. Prof. Das is associated with a couple of organizations who do firmly focus upon "Social Welfare". It truly needs to be incorporated that he is associated with "Institute of Psychological and Educational Research" for last 5 years continuously. **Kolkata, India**

## Journey of a Scribe

MANAS RANJAN MAHAPATRA



Scribes of the country have recently made me Vice President of the All India United Working Journalists' Association. I have also taught Development Communication and have been accorded the status of a Professor of Practice. My father was a journalist and the first representative from Odisha in the Executive Committee of Indian Federation of Working Journalists. Way back in 1981 I began my career as a Sub Editor in News of the World, the first English daily from Odisha. Fortunately, I was the only Odia to become Director, Information and PR of North Eastern

Region. I have also taught Mass Communication in 19 institutions of higher learning in my life. I had the blessed opportunity of meeting veteran journalist Kuldeep Nayar a number of times. But the occasion I met him at Duliajan, Assam was unforgettable. It was two decades ago. NBT was doing a Book Fair at Duliajan, Assam in collaboration with Oil India and Assam Sahitya Sabha. I was given the charge of its Project Head. Besides me, my colleagues Ravi Rajpal, Debu Sarkar and Deep Saikia were there. Kuldeep Nayar was to reach at Dibrugarh at 11 am. Suddenly the vehicle given by Oil India went out of Order. Deep Saikia's brother Diju came forward with his car. He took us to the airport. We received Kuldeep Nayar Ji and brought him to Duliajan. I don't remember if the Book Fair was inaugurated the

same day or not. But in the inaugural ceremony Ravi Rajpal who was the senior most amongst us and was anchoring the programme, suddenly gave a packet of that month's issue of Readers' Club Bulletin, the bilingual monthly for children edited by me to Kuldeep Ji and requested him to release. -But who is its editor? Kuldeep Nayar asked. -He is here... Ravi Rajpal said and called me. -Editors should not be shy... Kuldeep Ji said and released it.. That night Debu Da offered a party in my honour as my magazine was released by non other than Kuldeep Nayar. Of course, as demanded by Deep, everybody had to host a party each in the following days, me being the host of Day 2.. Kuldeep Nayar Ji did not know that I am a poet. A few years after Ramachandra Nath

invited him to grace the annual function of his magazine 'Palli Bani' as Chief Guest and I was to be honoured as a poet in that function. -'You are the same editor. We met at Dulijan. Is not it?' Kuldeep Ji asked. -'Yes Sir', I replied with respect. - 'Good. Go ahead...', he said. Then he called me and told in a whispering voice.....' But don't mix up poetic imagination with journalism. Both are different from each other... And if they fortunately meet, anything can happen...'

**Visiting Professor of Development Communication Former Director, I & PR and Culture, North Eastern Council Ministry of DoNER, Govt. of India Former Director, Book Publishing Courses & Editor, NCCL National Book Trust, Ministry of HRD, Govt. of India**

# 4528 Cr For Odisha

**New Delhi:** The Government of India on Monday approved Rs. 4528 crores for the State of Odisha under the scheme 'Special Assistance to States for Capital Investment 2023-24'. The Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance has approved capital investment proposals of Rs. 56,415 crores for 16 States including Odisha for the current financial year. Of which, Rs 4528 crore sanctioned for Odisha, sources said. Capital investment projects in diverse sectors have been approved including health, education, irrigation, water supply, power, roads, bridges and railways.

Funds for meeting the State share of Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) and Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) have also been provided to the States under this scheme to enhance pace of the projects in these sectors. The Ministry of Finance had launched the scheme for financial assistance to States for capital investment/expenditure in 2020-21 in the wake of COVID-19 pandemic which gave a very timely boost to capital spending by States. The flexibility and simplicity of the scheme design has earned liberal praise from Chief Ministers and Finance Ministers

of States in successive pre-budget consultations. In view of a higher multiplier effect of capital expenditure and in order to provide a boost to capital spending by States, the scheme continued during the financial year 2023-24 as announced in the Union Budget 2023-24. Under the scheme, special assistance is being provided to the State Governments in the form of 50-year interest free loan up to an overall sum of Rs. 1.3 lakh crore during the financial year 2023-24. The scheme has eight parts, Part-I being the largest with allocation of Rs. 1 lakh crore.



This amount has been allocated amongst States in proportion to their share of central taxes & duties as per the award of the 15th Finance Commission. Other parts of the scheme are either linked to reforms or are for sector specific projects.

In Part-II of the scheme, an amount of Rs. 3,000 crore has been set aside for providing incentives to States for scrapping of State Government vehicles and ambulances, waiver of liabilities on old vehicles, providing tax concessions to individuals for scrapping of old vehicles and setting up of automated vehicle testing facilities. Part-III & IV of the scheme aim at providing incentives to States for reforms in urban planning and urban finance. An amount of Rs. 15,000 crore is earmarked for Urban Planning Reforms, while additional Rs. 5,000 crore is for

incentivising the States for making Urban Local Bodies (ULBs) creditworthy and improving their finances. The scheme also aims at increasing the housing stock for the police personnel and their families within the police stations in urban areas. An amount of Rs. 2,000 crore is earmarked for this purpose under Part-V of the scheme. Another objective of the Scheme is to promote national integration, carry forward the concept of "Make in India" and promote the concept of "One District, One Product (ODOP)" through construction of Unity Mall in each State. An amount of Rs. 5,000 crore has been set aside for this purpose under

the Part-VI of the scheme. Part-VII of the Scheme, with an allocation of Rs. 5,000 crore is for providing financial assistance to States for setting up libraries with digital infrastructure at Panchayat and Ward level for children and adolescents. A similar scheme entitled 'Special Assistance to States for Capital Investment for 2022-23' was also executed by the Ministry of Finance in the last financial year. Under the scheme, Capital investment proposals of Rs. 95,147.19 crore were approved and an amount of Rs. 81,195.35 crore was released to the States in the last financial year.

## Kerala Received 65% Deficit Rainfall So Far During Monsoon: Weather Office



**Thiruvananthapuram:** Kerala, the gateway of the monsoon into the mainland of the country, has received deficient rainfall so far, according to the India Meteorological Department (IMD). The southwest monsoon arrived in Kerala on June 8, nearly a week after its normal onset date of June 1. Compared to the normal south-west monsoon rainfall for the corresponding period, Kerala has had a deficit of 65 per cent from the normal rainfall. The regional

meteorological department, Kerala, however, said that the south-westerly winds are getting stronger, and more rainfall is expected in the coming days. "We have received only minus 65 per cent rainfall in Kerala. All the districts in Kerala have received below-normal rainfall this season so far," Dr VK Mini, director in charge, IMD, Kerala, told Press Trust of India. She said due to various factors, like the cyclones that formed over the Arabian Sea and the Bay of Bengal, the south-west

monsoon had a slow pick-up and slow progression. "The pick-up started only last week. Now we are witnessing a faster progression. So we expect more rain in the coming days," she said. There is an upper air cyclonic formation over the northeast Arabian Sea, and an offshore trough is moving towards Kerala from South of Gujarat, strengthening the south-westerly winds. A low pressure area that formed over the Bay of Bengal two days ago is now over Chhattisgarh and moving towards the west, north-west direction. All these factors are strengthening the monsoon south-westerly winds," Dr Mini said. Widespread rainfall is predicted over Kerala and Lakshadweep for the coming days, she added.

## Pedigree Based On Caste Will Have No Role In Appointing Temple Priests: High Court

**Chennai:** The Madras High Court has ruled that pedigree based on caste will have no role to play in the appointment of Archakas in temples and allowed trustees to appoint any person well-versed and qualified to perform the 'pooja' as per the requirements of the temple Agama. Agama generally means the traditional rituals followed in temple vis-a-vis the worship. The court was hearing a plea from Muthu Subramania Gurukkal against an advertisement issued by the Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowment (HR&CE) department calling for applications for the positions of Archakas/Sthanikam of Sri Sugavaneswarar Swamy Temple, Salem. The petitioner's grievance was that the impugned advertisement infringes upon the hereditary right of his

and others, who are rendering their services as per the customs and usage in the line of succession from time immemorial. His counsel contended the temple in question is an Agamic temple and hence any appointment of Archagar/Sthanigar can be done only as per the customs and usage. Justice N Anand Venkatesh referred extensively from various Supreme Court judgements, including the Seshammal and others vs State of Tamil Nadu case. "It is clear from the said judgment of the Top Court in Seshammal's case that the appointment of an Archaka is a secular act and hence, the hereditary right cannot be claimed. The Top Court held that an Archaka owes his appointment to the shebait and managers of a temple and they are the one who choose the Archaka," the court said.

Therefore, in the matter of appointment of an Archaka, the rule of next-in-line of succession cannot be insisted and a trustee is not bound to make the appointment on the sole ground that the candidate is next-in-line of succession to the last holder of the office. In another case, the top court once again held that there is no justification to insist that only a Brahmin (in this case, a Malayalee brahmin) alone can perform the rites and rituals and that it can be performed by anyone who is well-versed, properly trained and qualified to perform the 'pooja' in a manner conducive and appropriate to the worship of the particular deity. "Hence, the Top Court frowned on insisting for a pedigree based on caste to perform the rites and rituals in a temple," the judge said.



The Minister of State for Defence and Tourism, Shri Ajay Bhatt in a group photograph at all India NCC Boys & Girls Mountaineering Expedition-2023, in New Delhi

## Tribute paid to Guru Sanjukta Panigrahi by mesmerising Odisi dance performance by Shinjan Nrityalaya as it celebrates its 27th years

**Kolkata (Partha Roy):** Tribute paid to legendry Odisi dancer and choreographer late Guru Sanjukta Panigrahi on her 26th death anniversary on 24th June 2023 by mesmerising Odisi dance performance by Shinjan Nrityalaya at Madhusudan Mancha in Kolkata during celebration of its 27th year. Mangalacharan was performed by students of various age groups of Shinjan Nrityalaya by praying to Bhagwan Jagannath Dev, Balbhadradev, Subhadra devi. Two performances: 'Soorya the Sun God' (choreography: Aloka Kanungo script: Nriyanaanda Mishra; music: Lakshmikanta Palit, Dhaneswar Swain) and 'Konark—The Sun Temple' (choreography and script: Sarbani Sen; music: Himansu Swain, Buddhanath Swain) mesmerised the audience. Guru Aloka Kanungo was honoured with prestigious Sangeet Natak Akademi



Award, national scholarship, junior and senior fellowship, and has recently received the Tagore fellowship from the Ministry of Culture, Government of India. The occasion was graced with the presence of Minakshi Mishra (Director and Zonal Head, ICCR, Kolkata), Tapati Chowdhurie (eminent dance critic and

author), Nilanjana Roy (Secretary, Central Committee, Sanskar Bharati) and Mohua Dhar (President of Shinjan Nrityalaya). "Soorya the Sun God" highlighted importance of sun in sustenance of Biosphere on the planet Earth. This dance composition promoted unity in diversity as white sun rays split in to

VIBGYOR. Shinjan Nrityalaya's performance was supported by Department of Culture Government of Odisha. Guru Aloka Kanungo thanked Chief Minister of Odisha Shri Naveen Pattanayak for his vision to promote and support development of Odissi dance form far beyond borders of Odisha.

Guru Aloka Kanungo's tribute to legendry Guru Sanjukta Panigrahi demonstrated the legend lives on through their great work and their disciples. Disciples of Guru Aloka Kanungo is popularising Odisi dance in far away USA and promoting rich cultural heritage of India. Many of the students of Shinjan Nrityalaya who performed are National scholars of Ministry of Culture, Government of India. Shinjan Nrityalaya stirred up environmental consciousness promotion as the audience witnessed the dance rendition of a dying river Chandrabhaga unable to meet the sea. Facial expressions, expressive eyes, hand gestures and body movements, in tune with the slokas and the music suggested the devotion of art—the worshipping of Indian heritage and culture. Both the presentation were very refreshing and appreciated by audience.

# 168.30 Cr For Maha Green

**Bhubaneswar(KCN):** In order to enhance water availability and to improve livelihood, the River Mahanadi needs to be protected and conserved for ensuring its perennial flow for the benefit of the people of the state. In view of this, the State Government so far released over Rs 168.30 crore under Green Mahanadi Mission(GMM).

The Mission was launched during 2018-19 with an aim to create a green belt in 1 km width on both sides of the river Mahanadi, Tel and IB on all available and suitable forest land, revenue forest land, District Level Committee(DLC) area and private land through massive participation of

peoples' representatives and all stakeholders.

Preparatory activities of the Mission, like identification of villages, selection of plantation sites, nursery sites, identification of Mahanadi Sevaks, mass motivation were taken up during 2017-18 in 16 districts covering 1303 villages under the jurisdiction of 20 forest and wildlife divisions.

The scheme is being implemented with the funding sources under the State Plan. The scheme has been approved in the Expenditure Finance Committee (EFC) meeting from 2018-19 to 2022-23 and their maintenance up to 2025-26, the source said.

During 2018-19, the State Government has



provided Rs.59.48 crore under the scheme. Plantations over an area of 912.25 hectare of AR (Artificial Regeneration), 50 hectare of Casuarina, 40 hectare of Bald Hill, 4196-hectare ANR (Aided Natural Regeneration) with gap, 101 hectare of Bamboo, 562 Route

Kilometer (RKM) of Avenue Plantation with planting of 5.742 lakh saplings under the scheme of Urban Tree Plantation (UTP) and distribution of 10.80 lakh saplings have been successfully achieved under the mission during 2018-19.

The scheme was implemented during

the Phase II in 2019-20 with inclusion of four more rivers namely Brahmani, Baitarani, Rushikulya and Vanshadhara and left-over area of Mahanadi, Tel and IB at a total budget provision of Rs.51 crore.

During this year, plantations over a total area of 1035 hectare AR, 75 hectare

Casuarina, 203 hectare Bald Hill, 4203 hectare ANR with Gap, 171 hectare Bamboo, 116 RKM Avenue with planting of 33.94 seedlings including 2.31 lakh seedlings under Urban Tree Plantation and distribution of 49.76 lakh seedlings have been successfully achieved along with

maintenance of previous year's plantations of 5299.55 hectare of different components under the mission.

Similarly, Rs.31 crore have been provided under the program in 2020-21. Plantations over an area of 190 hectare of AR, 60 hectare of Casuarina, 700 hectares ANR with Gap with planting, 0.165 lakh saplings under the scheme of UTP and distribution of 23.34 lakh seedlings done under the mission during the year. Only maintenance work has been taken up during 2021-22.

In 2022-23, 576 hectare of AR, 424 hectare of Bald Hill, 3000 hectare of ANR plantation, 2.89 lakh saplings under urban tree

plantation have been taken up and 5.48 lakh seedlings have been distributed among the public with a cost of Rs. 26.82 crore.

Besides, there is a proposal of taking up 120 hectares AR plantation, 74 hectare casuarina plantation, 100 hectare Bald Hill plantation, 1000 hectare ANR with Gap plantation and 50 lakh seedlings for distribution during the financial year 2023-24. GMM committees have been constituted at the Block, District and State level for monitoring and reviewing the GMM activities undertaken by different line departments for successful implementation of the mission in the State.

## CS Mantra For OJS



**Bhubaneswar(KCN):** Chief Secretary Pradeep Kumar Jena on Monday advised OJS probationers to work with truth, integrity and justice and maintain quality in judgment.

One-day training programme (exposure visit) for 51 Odisha Judicial Service (OJS) Probationers was held today at the Convention Centre, Lok Seva Bhawan.

The Chief Secretary attended the event as the chief guest in the training programme and focused upon the role of Judiciary in smooth discharge of the administrative system of the State.

Addressing the OJS probationers, Shri Jena shared about his long years of experience with the judiciary working in

different districts as well as holding various important positions in the State's Administration. He also discussed the various challenges faced during the work and how those were resolved with the support of the judiciary. Jena also said that the role of the Judiciary is important as regards to implementation of various welfare schemes and policies of the Government. The trainees need to understand the importance of the judiciary philosophy, he pointed out.

"The poor and vulnerable people shall not be able to get proper justice if officers are influenced by power and money," the Chief Secretary said.

He said that the OJS probationers going to join and shoulder

responsibilities need to make decisions based on available records and data without being influenced by money & power. He advised the newly appointed Judicial Officers to maintain honesty and impartiality in their work.

At the outset, Dhaneshwar Mallik, Principal Secretary, Law, briefed about the Role of Law Department in the State Administration and the aim and objective of the training programme.

Special Secretary, GA&PG Department Himanshu Bhushan Panda proposed the vote of thanks and coordinated the programme in all the sessions.

In different sessions of this one-day exposure

visit programme, OJS probationers were imparted training on Over view Rules of Business, Service Condition matters of Lok Seva Bhawan, Role and responsibility of Police functionaries in the legal process and steps in the filing of investigations and charge sheets, major public welfare programmes of the Government & work of Panchayati Raj institutions in the State, IT based programmes, ST, Mo Sarkar, 'management of Court cases, interface of Law department between State Government, etc. Senior officials of the State Administration, Police Administration and Law Department imparted training in different sessions.

## BJP demands CBI probe into alleged corruption in PM Awas Yojana in Odisha

**Bhubaneswar(KCN):**The Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) on Monday demanded a probe into alleged corruption in the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (PMAY) in Odisha.

Addressing a presser in Bhubaneswar, Odisha BJP General Secretary, Prithviraj Harichandan said that the ruling Biju Janata Dal (BJD) is now doing new political drama instead of implementing the PMAY, to hide its own inefficiency ahead of 2024 polls.

Harichandan said that scores of eligible beneficiaries are waiting to reap the benefits of the scheme due to non-implementation and the ruling BJD has started targeting the BJP instead. The BJP leader added that the Odisha government was forced to install a grievance box in all blocks and panchayats in February 2020 after BJP raised the issue of irregularities in the preparation of the list of beneficiaries in 2019. But till now no action has been taken on what happened to

the grievances and the state government needs to answer, said Harichandan adding that the surveys were also conducted thrice by the officials along with the BJD leaders. The BJP alleged that BJD is collecting money from people for allotting houses under the scheme. BJD is collecting Rs 20,000 to Rs 25,000 from people in this regard, he added. "The list of several eligible beneficiaries was deleted after surveys and

if the state government wants transparency it should order a CBI probe so that the people looting the poor people's money are booked," said Harichandan. According to Harichandan, several beneficiaries have been left out of the PMAY due to the inefficiency of the state government. "We give 30 days' time to rectify this, else BJP will gherao each block office and hit the streets to wake up the government," Harichandan added.



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# India's economic indications remain robust says DSP Mutual Fund

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

## DIZO, by realme TechLife, launches DIZO Wireless Dash

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

music playback of upto 30 hours on a single charge. A steal deal for those who prefer neckband design, it also brings Magnetic Instant Connection, Memory Metal, ENC, dedicated Game Mode and realme Link app customizations, and even the smallest of the detailing such as balanced weight, air pressure control and dual material eartips. The latest DIZO Wireless Dash, designed to complement the uniqueness in you, with its distinct Kevlar design, Blink charge feature and 30 hours of total music playback is priced at just INR 1,599. However, during the first sale on Flipkart (and soon on select retail

stores) from 24th May 2022, 12 pm onwards, the latest neckband earphone will be sold at an introductory price of INR 1,299 only. Commenting on the launch, Abhilash Panda, CEO, DIZO India shares, "We are committed to deliver feature-rich solutions at aggressive price points every time and our team is working towards it daily. With the launch of DIZO Wireless Dash, I am confident to wow our consumers this time again. The latest achievement motivates us more than ever and we promise to deliver products with more dedication and keep brewing new ideas for you all."

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

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

Reema suffered from a rare and excruciating pain continuously on the face and earlobes for a period of 8 months. In order to get relief from the pain, she visited neurological specialists and physicians from multiple hospitals where she was misdiagnosed for other neurological diseases and was treated with analgesics, as they failed to diagnose her actual condition. She consulted the doctors at HCG Panda Cancer Hospital, who discovered a vague swelling near the earlobes and with suspicion of a tumour. Imaging of the parotid gland was conducted to check for any malignancy and it was discovered that she had

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Microtek, the leader in the power product market of India has recently organized a Star Retail Partners' Meet at Taj Vivanta, Bhubaneswar, where the company introduced its newly launched range of inverters and home UPS series to the key retailers of the region. The new range of inverters and UPSs launched demonstrates the latest technological advancements that help to save electricity besides offering the best output in power backup. More than 400 retailers from the region attended the gala event. Talking about the new range of inverters, Subodh Gupta, CMD, Microtek International, shared "The 6 new series of inverters launched, besides providing electricity saving benefits are also aesthetically appealing.

## ViStrengthens 'Vi Hero Unlimited' Proposition with 'Data Delight'

To ensure a worry free data experience for its prepaid users, leading telecom service provider, has launched 'ViHero Unlimited Campaign' with yet another unique proposition, 'Data Delight'. With this, Vi users can unlock up to 2GB of extra data every month, over & above their daily quota, at no extra cost. Truly providing an unlimited data experience, Vi Hero Unlimited portfolio also includes other unique benefits such as Unlimited High Speed Data from 12am - 6am' and Weekend Data Rollover. In addition, to further strengthen its

hero unlimited portfolio, Vihas introduced more recharge packs under the portfolio. Vi Hero Unlimited packs are structured to provide a one-stop solution to the common concern of data quota exhaustion faced by prepaid users. It's differentiated offerings aim to provide more value to Vi's Unlimited plan users. In today's digital world where availability of mobile internet has become a crucial factor, Vi Hero Unlimited brings a dose of oxygen when needed the most. To promote the proposition, Vi has launched a high decibel

ATL campaign themed - 'Sifnaamkanahinkamka unlimited'. Featuring popular actor Vinay Pathak, the Vi campaign is planned for 8 weeks and to promote this unique 'Hero Unlimited' proposition, multiple media platforms like TV, Digital and OOH along with large on ground activation programs will be actioned. Vi Hero Unlimited packs start with recharges of Rs. 299 and above daily data quota packs. Vi has also added new recharge packs with higher daily data quota at Rs. 359, Rs. 409 and Rs. 475 under Hero Unlimited portfolio.

## Microtek Organised Rockstar & Star Retail Partners' Meet in Bhubaneswar

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

Odisha market." The key people of the industry were present at the event. The company also felicitated its channel partners at the event. The event was attended by the officials of Microtek International and trade partners from Odisha. Odisha is one of the important markets for Microtek and the company is looking forward to expanding its presence in the state with the new series. Microtek is planning more such activities for the Odisha Market to create awareness about its new products and further strengthening its business relations with the retail market in the state. The price of the new product range starts from MRP Rs. 6240 and the products are already available through the company's vast distribution network across India.

# If and when I get a turn, I'll be ready to go: Starc

**New Delhi:** Mitchell Starc has said that getting dropped, especially in England, is "not something new" to him but he's raring to go if picked for the second Ashes Test against England at Lord's. The left-arm fast bowler didn't feature at Edgbaston last week, with the selection panel preferring in-form Scott Boland over him, but a couple of weeks into the Ashes series and on what's expected to be a more bowler-friendly surface in London, Starc's been making a strong case for selection. "I'm used to it now coming to England. It's a squad mentality,

much the same as last time," Starc said about his non-selection for the Ashes opener. "I have been around long enough, been dropped enough. Probably been dropped the most in this squad so it is not something new for me. It probably won't be the last time either.

"In terms of the team, I haven't got any indication either way (about selection for Lord's). Your guess is as good as mine until the selectors decide.

"I have different skills that fit into this bowling group so if and when I get a turn, I'll be ready to go. If not this week, then I'll get ready for Headingley." Starc said he feels in



better rhythm now than last week and it's about getting some game-time. "I probably came into that game

(Edgbaston) feeling pretty good, but my rhythm wasn't quite there," Starc said. "So it's been a nice couple of weeks of work now to work back into that rhythm.

"I think we were all probably better for the run after that Test final at The Oval and I certainly feel less clunky now than I did through the game. So yeah, hopefully that results in some good stuff if and when I play. It's all in good order. It's just about getting some time in the middle when my chance comes."

Starc, who saw England's all-out approach from the sidelines last week,

could be expected to be the problem-solver on the field come Wednesday but he's not fretting over this latest approach by England.

"They have brought an overly aggressive head space to Test cricket," Starc opined. "The way they are approaching it, there is going to be a reaction when you are either bowling or facing that. I think that is natural but we will stick to our guns and I am sure they will as well.

"Just because they are scoring at a higher rate or trying to score at a higher rate doesn't mean you go to one-day cricket. There are plenty of ways to skin

a cat as we saw last week in the way they approached it as opposed to the way we did.

"We've played enough against England in white-ball cricket to know they can all play that sort of thing. I have certainly seen Joe (Root) enough to know he can play those (ramp) shots.

"They are going to take the game on now in Test cricket as they have done for the last 12 months. That is their approach and we will stick to the way we want to approach our Test cricket.

"Hopefully come the end of the series we are sitting back with more wins than them."

## Eden Gardens in the fray to host World Cup semifinal

**New Delhi:** Eden Gardens in Kolkata has emerged as a strong favourite to host a semifinal during the Men's ODI World Cup 2023 later this year. Cricbuzz understands that a last-minute change has been made in the highly anticipated schedule. The decision to allot a semifinal to Eden Gardens took shape at a meeting of the state associations of host cities with the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) and International Cricket Council (ICC) officials on Monday (June 26). There were 12 associations who attended the meeting. One of the reasons for moving a semifinal from Chennai to Kolkata was the potential weather in October-November in the Tamil Nadu capital city. The region experiences North-East monsoon in those



months and the BCCI/ICC felt the city may not be the best option for a knockout game. The Tamil Nadu Cricket Association (TNCA) will, however, get a few World Cup games. The state board's representative was at the aforementioned meeting held in Mumbai. The associations were also explained about

operational functions expected of a host association. The 12 venues for the World Cup are expected to be New Delhi and Dharamsala in the North Zone, Lucknow in the Central Zone, Mumbai, Ahmedabad, and Pune in the West, Kolkata and Guwahati in the East, and Chennai, Bengaluru, Hyderabad, and Thiruvananthapuram

in the South. Guwahati and Thiruvananthapuram will only host warm-up games, while the other 10 centers will stage the 48 official World Cup matches, including the three knockout games. Initially, Wankhede (Mumbai) and Chepauk (Chennai) were near lock-ins as venues for the semifinal matches. Then Chinnaswamy Stadium in Bangalore cropped up as one of the

options; and now just hours before the final unveiling of the games, Kolkata emerged as a strong contender alongside Mumbai and Chennai. The semifinal matches, though, will most likely be played in Mumbai and Kolkata.

Regarding the demand from the Pakistan Cricket Board (PCB) to change the venues for their matches, the ICC has turned down the request as previously reported by Cricbuzz. So the original draft schedule stands, meaning the high-profile India-Pakistan match will be held in Ahmedabad, while Chennai and Bengaluru will host Pakistan against Afghanistan and Australia respectively. The final will be in Ahmedabad on November 19, with the inauguration on October 5 also at the same venue.

## Ireland Women tour of West Indies: Series Digest



**New Delhi:** Captain Hayley Matthews scored a fine 109 - her fourth century in WODIs - as West Indies eased to a 1-0 series lead against Ireland. Having opted to bat, Matthews' century and her 156-run stand with Stafanie Taylor powered the hosts to 297, a total they defended rather easily to win by 58 runs.

West Indies lost a sedate Zaida James in the 10th over before the experienced duo of Matthews and Taylor

took over to put the innings on track. The latter fell for 55 in the 35th over and four balls later, West Indies also lost the centurion Matthews. From 192/1, the hosts slipped to 198/4 before Chinelle Henry took over and struck a quickfire 37-ball 53\* to power the total towards 300.

Ireland tried to keep pace in chase and reached 172/2 in the 36th over before the impressive Gaby Lewis fell for 83. The pressure

of the mounting required-rate was too much to keep up with for the rest of the line-up and they finished well short. Matthews followed her century with figures of 3 for 53 from her 10 overs.

Brief scores: West Indies Women 297/6 in 50 overs (Hayley Matthews 109, Stafanie Taylor 55; Cara Murray 3-60) beat Ireland Women 239/9 in 50 overs (Gaby Lewis 83; Hayley Matthews 3-53, Afy Fletcher 2-49) by 58 runs.

## Carlos Alcaraz Returns To No 1 Rank After Replacing Novak Djokovic After 1st Ever Win At Queen's Club



**London:** After picking up his first grass-court title on Sunday and reclaiming the top ranking, an increasingly confident Carlos Alcaraz says he sees himself as one of the favorites to win Wimbledon next month. Despite struggling at times in the first set, Alcaraz beat Alex De Minaur 6-4, 6-4 in the Queen's Club

Championships final. It was only the third tournament of Alcaraz's young career on grass after two disappointing performances at Wimbledon. This year at Wimbledon could be a different matter, however. The victory saw the 20-year-old Spaniard move above Novak Djokovic in the rankings and confirmed the US

Open 2022 champion as a serious challenger to the Serbian's crown at Wimbledon. Alcaraz lost in the fourth round to Jannik Sinner last year. "Honestly, I have a lot of confidence right now coming into Wimbledon," Alcaraz said. "I ended the week playing at the high level. So right now I feel one of the favorites to win Wimbledon. I have to get more experience on grass... But obviously after beating amazing guys, great players, and the level that I played, I consider myself one of the favorites or one of the players to be able to win Wimbledon."

## World Cup dreams for Williamson still on 'unlikely side of expectations'

**New Delhi:** New Zealand captain Kane Williamson hasn't completely ruled out featuring in the ODI World Cup in India later this year but feels the prospects of that are on the 'unlikely side of expectations.' Williamson suffered a ruptured ACL in his right knee while attempting to field in the deep in the IPL 2023 opener between Gujarat Titans and Chennai Super Kings on March 31. He then underwent surgery in April and has been on the road to recovery and rehabilitation since. "As much as I'd love for everything to pan out from a time perspective, the healing of the injury is the focus, because there is still cricket after the World Cup and I would like to be

involved in that," Williamson told radio station Newstalk ZB. In April this year, New Zealand men's team head coach Gary Stead admitted the chances of Williamson making it for the tournament were bleak but didn't want to rule it out already if there was still a small possibility of a timely recovery. Stead went on to say that New Zealand would be open to utilising a player of Williamson's calibre and experience in a mentor role if he doesn't regain full fitness. As far as Williamson is concerned though, his focus is on each day and week and not getting too far ahead of himself in this long



and arduous process of regaining full fitness. "The focus is just on each day, each week and not getting too far ahead of myself, because it's perhaps on the unlikely side of expectations. Naturally

in my mind, there's a level of interest because the timings aren't drastically far apart, but there's a lot of work to do before that being a potential reality," Williamson said. "I'm making progress,

but I'm not putting a timeline on anything. I haven't had such a long-term injury before but talking to other people that have, the journey is a bit of a long one so if you look too far ahead, it probably can become a little bit daunting," he added.

Williamson, who led New Zealand to the 2019 ODI World Cup final in England, revealed that he was eager to get to the nets as soon as he could. "Probably more for sanity and changing things up... just nice to mix up all the gym work and the physio work and rehab specific stuff to spend a bit of time with some of the other guys that are training," he said. "Super keen to get back in the nets, for sure."