

President Murmu, PM Modi Pay Homage To Dr APJ Abdul Kalam On His Birth Anniversary

New Delhi(KCN): President of India, Smt Droupadi Murmu paid homage to Dr APJ Abdul Kalam, former President of India on his birth anniversary at Rashtrapati Bhavan today.Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Sunday paid his tribute to former Indian President Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam on his birth anniversary lauding his ‘incomparable contribution in nation building’



Kalam belonged to a modest background. In his early youth, he even sold newspapers. Driven by a passion for aerospace, he pursued aeronautical engineering at the Madras Institute of Technology.

he became a luminary in rocket and missile technology, inspiring millions with his life story. From being called as the Missile Man of India for his work as aerospace scientist to the dedication for his students as a teacher,

Kalam wore many hats. Recognising his contributions, taking to X, PM Modi said, Heartfelt tribute to former President Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam, who was loved by the people for his humble behavior and exceptional scientific talent, on his birth anniversary. His incomparable contribution in nation building will always be remembered with reverence. World Students’ Day on October 15 commemorates Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam’s contributions to academia and research

No road, elderly woman carried on cot for 3km to ambulance in Odisha's Kalahandi

Bhabanipatana,(KCN):An elderly woman had to be carried on a cot for 3 km to reach an ambulance in an Odisha village. This speaks volumes about the existing infrastructure and lack of proper roads which still remain a distant dream for scores of people even after 77 years of Independence. The relatives of the patient had to wade through knee-deep water and cross a river with the cot on their shoulders. The heart-wrenching incident was reported from Khamanpada village under T. Rampur block of Kalahandi district.



Well, this isn’t the first time a patient was carried on a cot. This has become a regular affair for villagers here due to the lack of a motorable road in the area. Moreover, locals have to risk their lives and cross a river to reach the other side where the ambulance waits, sources said. Due to the lack of a bridge over

the river, people often wade through knee-deep water to reach the other side.According to sources, an elderly woman Chandrika Gouda sustained injuries after she fell down following which family members called an ambulance. However, the ambulance could not reach the village forcing

the locals to carry the injured woman on a cot. After carrying her for almost 3 km, the family members reached the ambulance from where she was taken to T. Rampur Community Health Centre (CHC). After preliminary treatment, she was later shifted to Bhabanipatna-based District Headquarters Hospital (DHH) for better treatment. The pleas for a proper road by the villagers have been falling on deaf ears of the administration. Meanwhile, the district administration officials could not be contacted over the matter.

Odisha CM Naveen Patnaik To Skip His Birthday Celebrations Due To Elder Sister’s Death

Bhubaneswar(KCN): Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik will turn 77 on Monday, 16th October 2023. However, the Odisha CM will not celebrate his birthday this year due to the death of his elder sister Geeta Mehta last month, informed the Chief Minister’s Office (CMO) on Sunday. Therefore, the CM has also requested his well-wishers not to visit his residence ‘Naveen Niwas’ in Bhubaneswar on Monday (October 16) to wish him, the CMO added. One of the longest-serving CMs in the country chose to skip his



birthday celebrations this year as well like he did several times in the past since 2020 due to the COVID-19 situation. Last year, the CM had skipped the celebrations as he was away on an official tour to Hyderabad to hold a one-to-one meeting with business leaders on October 17 at ‘Odisha Investors’ Meet’.The longest serving Chief Minister

of Odisha, Naveen Patnaik was born on 16th, October 1946 in Cuttack. He is the son of the legendary Biju Patnaik, former Chief Minister of Odisha. After schooling in Dehradun, Naveen graduated in Arts from Delhi University. Before entering politics, he pursued his passion as a writer and lived abroad after completing his education. However, the demise of Biju Babu in 1997 took a turn in his life and he had to take over the reins.

Dry Weather To Prevail Over Odisha For Next 3 Days: IMD

Bhubaneswar(KCN): The weather will remain dry in Odisha as the IMD predicts that there will be no large change in the temperature and day temperature is very likely to be above normal by 2-3°C at a few places over the districts during the next 3 days. According to the IMD weather bulletin, light to moderate rainfall has occurred at one or two places over the districts of Bolangir, Cuttack, Bargarh and Khurda.The maximum temperatures observed marked a fall at one or two places over the districts of South Interior Odisha and no large change elsewhere over the other districts. The highest maximum temperature of 36.8°C was recorded at Bhadrak and the lowest minimum temperature of 19.0°C was recorded at Phulbani in the plains of Odisha.



Hamas Blocking Evacuation Of Civilians To Southern Gaza: IDF Ahead Of Ground

NewDelhi(KCN): The Israel Defense Force (IDF) has accused the Hamas terrorist organisation of blocking the evacuation of civilians in the northern Gaza Strip to the southern parts. The IDF also dropped leaflets over the Gaza Strip with instructions and a map showing which roads were safe to use for evacuation. As the IDF continues to target Hamas military targets, it had issued a warning on Saturday that civilians in and around Gaza should move south of the Strip. Today, also the IDF gave a 3-hour window



to the civilians to relocate to southern area for their own safety. “Residents of Gaza City and northern Gaza, in the past days, we’ve urged you to relocate to the southern area for your safety. We want to inform you that the IDF will not carry out

any operations along this route from 10 AM to 1 PM. During this window, please take the opportunity...”, the IDF posted on ‘X’. According to the Israel Defence Forces, Hamas is obstructing the evacuation of Palestinians from the northern region of the Gaza Strip.

Skill India Partners Coca-Cola India To Launch Retailer Skill Development Program

Bhubaneswar(KCN): To empower the retailer community in the states of Odisha and Uttar Pradesh, the National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC), working under the aegis of the Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship (MSDE) announced a partnership with Coca-Cola India today to launch the Super Power Retailer Program under the Skill India Mission. The program is being piloted in the state of Odisha. The partnership was formally announced in the esteemed presence of the Union Minister for Education and Skill Development & Entrepreneurship, Dharmendra Pradhan; Ved Mani Tiwari, COO, NSDC; and Sanket Ray,

President, Coca-Cola India & Southwest Asia. The program facilitates the empowerment and progress of the retailers, marking a significant milestone in Skill India’s efforts to support the workforce. The initiative focuses on enabling retailers by focusing on building their capacity and capability in today’s modern retailing sector. It focuses on providing training to small and micro retailers, equipping them with the knowledge and skills needed to better understand consumer behaviours and their preferences. It aims to provide retailers with skills, tools and techniques that are required to succeed in the constantly changing retail ecosystem and to spread knowledge of best practices, equipping traditional retailers with the right skill set necessary to make their business more profitable, as well as build their business skills. The Super Power

Retailer Program will offer industry-specific skills such as customer management, inventory and stock management, financial management etc. that are tailored to the professional needs of retailers, making the retailers proficient and enhancing their knowledge. As part of the program, the participants will undergo a 14-hour training comprising two hours of classroom sessions and 12 hours of digital training. The training will include physical classroom sessions along with an app-based Learning Management System (LMS) that is accessible on mobile and handheld devices for online modules. The modules will be hosted on Skill India Digital’s platform (SID) and the training will be executed through a multimedia approach with a blend of videos, and texts, by experienced trainers facilitating learning. The participants will receive a certificate upon completion of the



classroom, online training, and assessment modules. Under the partnership, NSDC will support Coca-Cola India in expanding the program’s outreach on SID. This involves creating and refining training content that aligns with industry-specific skill requirements. Additionally, NSDC will facilitate the recruitment of trainers for program implementation and ensure a seamless learning experience by providing the requisite training infrastructure. Speaking on the occasion, Union Minister Dharmendra

Pradhan said, “As the auspicious celebrations of Durga Puja begin today, we launch the Super Power Retailer program in partnership with Coca-Cola India to empower our retailers and provide training to them on expanding their businesses and enhancing consumer experiences. I am confident that the initiative will play a pivotal role in strengthening India’s economy by skilling, reskilling, and upskilling the retailers by paving the way for their growth. I congratulate all the successful self-reliant retailers who have been awarded today.”

“Aligned with the Hon’ble Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi’s vision of making our workforce the biggest beneficiary of developed India, the program aims to provide 14 hours of quality retail training through the Skill India Digital Portal. The retailers will be trained on how to plan and implement business strategies and utilize the vast opportunities extended by digital platforms. The training modules will be available in multiple languages which will enable small shopkeepers as well as big businessmen across the country. We acknowledge this effort

to enable a retail ecosystem that will exceed customer expectations, embrace the Future of Work, and provide exponential growth to the industry,” he added. Reflecting on this milestone, Ved Mani Tiwari, COO, NSDC said, “A transformative revolution is underway within India’s skill development ecosystem, driven by an unwavering commitment to empower the country’s youth and its ambitious workforce through skill acquisition, enhancement, and adaptation. With Coca-Cola India aligning its efforts with Skill India Digital, I hold a steadfast belief that both our aspiring and established retailers will receive top-notch training to strengthen their capacity and capability. Guided by the Hon’ble Minister’s leadership, the introduction of the Academic Bank of Credit, a digital repository of prior

learning experience will further empower our nation’s youth. I encourage corporations to collaborate with Skill India Digital to position India as the global Skill Hub.” Sanket Ray, President of Coca-Cola India & Southwest Asia, said, “At Coca-Cola India, we strive to create value for the retailer ecosystem which is an integral part of the business value chain. In the evolving consumer landscape, equipping retailers with key entrepreneurial and digital skills enhances their relevance for today’s consumers and enables them to be future-ready. We applaud the efforts of the Skill India Mission’s efforts that foster innovation and provide industry-specific skills accessible to all.” By collaborating and aligning efforts, the Government of India and industry stakeholders can shape a skilling ecosystem that drives excellence and economic growth.

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## Nuankhai Betghat organized by Culture Department at Subarnapur

SUBARNAPUR ,(KCN): In headquarter of Subarnapur District Nuankhai Betghat program has been organized by Odisha Language, Literature and Culture Department. In this program held in the afternoon at New Town Hall as the chief guest,Collector and District Magistrate Bimalendu Ray called Nuankhai as a festival of love, brotherhood and brotherhood. Supdt. Of Police Mr. Amaresh Panda, Additional District Magistrate Anjalina Padhan and former Sonapur MLA Achutananda Biswal attended and expressed the view that Nuankhai is a beautiful retreat for religious social family unity and promotion of art culture.Bhimabhoi



Kala Parishad artists performed welcome music and various Sambalpuri songs under the direction of Guru Umesh Kumbhar. from Mamata Fashion School Childrens participated in a beautiful runway fashion show under the direction of Institute Director Mamata Das. Students from Kosala

Residential School and Sahara Trust High School performed a melodious Sambalpuri dance. Ma Maheshwari Sanskrutik Sansad Binika Pancharsi performed under the direction of Nirakara Dehuril Ma Cultural Institute Bhagitikira Dunguripali Karma Dance and Maa

Samleswari Badirutya Barigaon Ulunda Badinrutya performed. Cultural program was coordinated by Bidyapati Panda. Various Women Self Help Groups prepared different types of Pitha Mandall ( Cake )and appeased everyone. All programs were conducted under the supervision of District

Culture Officer Yamuna Padhan. With the efforts of District Child Protection Officer Chaturbhuj Dash, the Collector and District Magistrate gave an incentive check of Rs.209,250 each to the 93( Per head 2250) students of the district who secured above eighty percent marks in the 10th class board examination under the Beti Bachao Beti Pabhao scheme. District Information and Public Relations Officer Ashwini Kumar Bhoi Officers of various departments, students of various schools and colleges, self-help groups, artists, art-loving public, journalists, chief reporters were present.

## Two Deputy Directors of the Directorate of Press Information of Bureau visited the District Museum

SUBARNAPUR,(KCN): Two Deputy Directors of the Directorate of Press Information of Bureau ( PIB ) t h e Government of India visited the Boudh District Museum on F r i d a y evening. Manoj Kumar Jali, Deputy Director, Directorate of P r e s s Information Bureau Government of India, and Dilip Kumar Chowdhury, Deputy Director and Mass C o m m u n i c a t i o n Relations Officer, visited Boudh. On this occasion,

he visited the Boudh District Museum and expressed his happiness

Information & Public Relations Officer cum District Culture Officer



with the various art, culture, antiques, Buddhist weaving craft and decorations collected in the museum. During his v i s i t , D i s t r i c t

Ritakanti Baliarsingh , Prasar Bharati Boudh District Correspondent Sampad Kumar Agarwala and others were present.

## House to House Congress Program in Nandapur Block

Nandapur :(KCN): Under the leadership of Koraput District Congress President Durga Shankar Sahu, Unaffiliated Koraput District Rajiv Gandhi Panchayat Federation Coordinator and Koraput District Spokesperson Rupak Kumar Turuk, with the support of Nandapur Block President Kamesh Kamudi Ex MLA Ramachandra Kadam Malkangiri District Ex MLA Nimai Sarkar Pattangi Block Ex Zilla Parishad Shukra Khara Nandapur Block MP Representative Gopal



Matam Rajput Sarpanch and Social Worker Pitambar Kirsani PCC Member Ramesh Khara, Padal Babu joined hundreds of Congress workers and worshiped at the ancient Shiva

Temple in Nandapur Block Sadar Mahkuma and toured the city. Later Padua Hat Parikrama Balda Kulabir Hatibari Padua Khinbar Chatua Kularsingh Golur Parja Badapada Patulum Badel

Beja Billaput Khurji Nandapur Malibelgaon Thuba Rising K h e m u n d u g u d a Nandaka. All the families of Tadingi village of Chatua Panchayat joined the Congress.

## Migrant workers remit 83.25 million US dollar but nobody cares migrant labour

Bhubaneswar,(KCN):In India 13 crore Interstate Migrant labourers working as Interstate migrant labourers and 2.5 crores Indian workers are working as migrant labourers outside the country and the remittance from migrant labourers is the highest in the world to the tune of 83.25 million US Dollar per anum but neither the State Govt. or the Central Government have any specific programme for migrant labourers. The immigration Act 1981 and Interstate Migrant Workers Act 1979 have not been amended till date inspite of the r e p e a t e d



recommendation of Parliament Standing Committee on labour. There are thousands of wife threat case, unusual death, fingers and hand chipping, torture, cheating complain but not a single Dalal has been punished till today. Only Govt effort of trade

unions, civil society, NGO, Migrant families and government could be useful to protect right of migrant labours, Govt. of India has not get signed the nonbinding country of UNO which has already been sign by 121 country said Dr. R.C. Khuntia while giving open address

at Chennai in migrant workers on network condition meeting arranged by Building and Wood Workers Federation. TMKT leader MrPon Kumar, BWI Sub Regional representative Dr, Rajeev Sharma, Mr. Prerana Prasad and participants from Andhra, Telengana, Tamilnadu, Kerala, Odisha, UP, Bihar participated in the meeting.

Dr. R.C. Khuntia also addressed the annual meeting of Tamilnadu Fly bricklen and Board m a n u f a c t u r i n g association of which many migrant Dubai returned workers are interprenures.

## Mega Medical and Veterinary Camp conducted by Indian Army At Lolab Kupwara Kashmir

Kupwara Kashmir(Aasif Malik ):The Gujjarpatti Garrison under the aegis of CharkutGarrison organised Mega Medical and Veterinary Camp at GHSS, Sogam,Lolab. The initiative exemplifies Indian Army's dedication to the well-being and upliftment of the local populace . The event witnessed a team of medical experts and specialists including orthopedic and eye specialists, medical officers, dentists, and veterinary doctors, addressing a wide array of healthcare needs. Moreover, the medical



camp is not merely a charitable endeavor but a symbol of the military's commitment to forming deeper bonds with the communities they serve. It fosters trust and cooperation, showcasing that the armed forces are

not just protectors but also partners in the holistic development of the region. In this sense, the event in Lolab signifies a shift towards the military playing a multifaceted role in supporting local

communities, extending their impact beyond traditional defense responsibilities. This initiative sets a powerful example of the military's potential as a force for positive change, contributing to the well-being of the people and the overall development of the area. It is a step towards a healthier and more prosperous future for Lolab, characterized by strengthened community ties and improved access to vital healthcare services, proving that the military can be a catalyst for positive transformation in regions where their presence is felt.



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## Khatron Ke Khiladi 13: Rapper-Singer Dino James Takes The Coveted Trophy Home

Winning the coveted trophy of India's most popular adventure-based reality show takes guts, spot-on instincts, curiosity, a competitive streak, and much more. Over the last 13 years, COLORS' 'Khatron Ke Khiladi' has solidified its position as a successful franchise that grips viewers by showcasing the journeys of daredevils from different walks of life.

Hosted by action maestro Rohit Shetty, the 13th edition of the show presented by Maruti Suzuki along with CERA Sanitaryware as Special Partner has concluded after capturing a rollercoaster ride of emotions, entertainment, and adventures. Fear Factor - Khatron Ke Khiladi is an Endemol (part of Banijay Group) format and is produced and executed in India by Endemol Shine India. For twelve weeks, the contestants spared no effort in earning the title



of the ultimate Khiladi and battling their phobia. After a life-altering journey, daredevil contestant, Dino James won the game-changing season whereas Arjit Taneja and Aishwarya Sharma stood as the first and second runners-up respectively, giving the winner a tough fight. The grand finale of the 13th

season took the entertainment quotient of television to its zenith with adrenaline-inducing stunts, glamour, games, performances, and hilarious moments. Onwards and upwards has been Dino's motto throughout the season as he navigated his way to victory. By the end of the show, the khiladi



performed a total number of 16 stunts and won nine of them. He established himself as a formidable competitor at the outset of the season. He was everyone's favourite stunt partner because he built credibility as a daredevil, who could pull off stunts impeccably. Apart from performing stunts to perfection, Dino

entertained the contestants and the viewers by whipping out spontaneous raps. Host Rohit Shetty appreciated the rapper for being fearless not only while performing stunts, but also as he voiced his opinion when it mattered. His bond with Shiv Thakare and Arjit Taneja inspired

friendship goals. From the beginning of the season to the finale, the competition between Arjit Taneja and Dino was neck and neck until the latter's victory. Commenting on the season and the contestant's victory, Host Rohit Shetty said, "Each year, we harness our creative energies in crafting unprecedented and innovative challenges for our contestants and spiking up the fear factor of the show. In this edition, every participant showed courage in the most unexpected moments. Congratulations to Dino James for not only winning the trophy but also for winning viewers' hearts. I believe he is the most genuine and fearless contestant we've had this season. This edition would not have been a success without our base of ardent fans and viewers. I thank them for their constant love and support."

## South Sensation Dr Shivarajkumar Meets Salman Khan Ahead Of 'Ghost' Release



While there is a great frenzy in fans for a happening weekend ahead, it surely seems to have begun with a million-dollar moment, especially for Shivanna fans. It so happened that Dr. Shivarajkumar who has been promoting his Pan India film Ghost, met Salman Khan who

was promoting his Tiger 3 at the Star Sports office recently. Though a beautiful coincidence, two megastars in the same room was a moment to witness. While the two exchanged pleasantries they even wished each other luck for their upcoming films. While fans loved

Shivanna and Salman's pictures together, many even manifested a work collaboration between these two. Talking about his recent meeting with Salman Khan, Dr. Shivarajkumar says, "He is a man with a golden heart. Being one of the biggest stars in Indian cinema, he is just so

humble. I was so elated when he met me so warmly, he wished me all the best for Ghost, and I said the same for Tiger 3. He is a man with a big heart and I feel very blessed to meet him in person."

The action-packed heist thriller Ghost tells the story of a man's quest for justice. Lapped with strong dialogues and great action, Ghost is here to shake up the system. The film is directed by Srini and presented by Dr. Jayantilal Gada (Pen Studios) and Sandesh Nagaraj (Ex MLC). Ghost Produced by Popular Entertainment Network (PEN) & Sandesh N is all set to release in cinemas on 19th October in Hindi, Tamil, Telugu, Kannada, and Malayalam.

## Animal: Ranbir Kapoor, Rashmika Mandanna's Love Song 'Hua Main' Leaves Fans Gushing



The teaser as well as the songs from Ranbir Kapoor and Rashmika Mandanna's Animal have been quite loved. In fact, fans have been eagerly waiting for more glimpses from the movie. And while that would happen in the course of the film's release, Animal has already emerged as a winner. While its first song is trending on YouTube as well as Instagram reels, fans are shipping the film in full enthusiasm. Sung by Raghav Chaitanya, 'Hua Main' is quite catchy. While the film sends out just the right gangster vibe, Ranbir Kapoor's swag in the film is unmatched. Having said that, Ranbir and Pritam have yet again proven that their team is a successful combination. To top that Rashmika's chemistry with Ranbir has left fans gushing. Fans have called the song fresh, captivating, and quite a smashing one. Bhushan Kumar and Krishan Kumar's T-Series, Murad Khetani's Cine1 Studios and Pranay Reddy Vanga's Bhadrakali Pictures have backed Animal. The film is in the crime drama genre and promises to take viewers on a thrilling ride.

## Ravi Teja's Tiger Nageswara Rao To Release In Sign Languages On Over 65 Screens Worldwide

Acclaimed producer Abhishek Agarwal, who has previously delivered successes like 'The Kashmir Files' and 'Karthikeya 2', is now all set to make a big impact on the silver screen with Mass Maharaja Ravi Teja's 'Tiger Nageswara Rao'. With the trailer garnering immense love, audiences are eagerly waiting to witness Ravi Teja as India's biggest thief.

What came as a surprise was the simultaneous release of the film in sign language as well. This positive initiative is spearheaded by none other than producer Abhishek Agarwal, whose idea is to make this film available to everyone worldwide. Tiger Nageswara Rao

will be released in sign language across 65+ screens in India and overseas. The film is based on true rumors and stars Ravi Teja, along with Anupam Kher, Renu Desai, Jisshu Sengupta, Murali Sharma, and the leading ladies, Gayatri Bhardwaj and Nupur Sanon, in prominent roles. Directed by Vamsee, 'Tiger Nageswara Rao' is produced by Abhishek Agarwal under the banner of Abhishek Agarwal Arts. It is co-produced by Mayank Singhaniya and Archana Agarwal. This pan-Indian film starring Ravi Teja is set to hit theaters on October 20, 2023, as a Reliance Entertainment release in North India.





# Income Tax search in what circumstances

We are dealing with various issues with regard to Income Tax Search & Seizure, in this article. Search and seizure is obviously a serious invasion on the rights of citizens, therefore the I.T. Department is required to be cautious while ordering and conducting a search. As observed by Justice Om Prakash of Allahabad High Court in the case of Dr. Nand Lal Tahilliani v. CIT [1988] 170 ITR 592 (All.) - “Privacy is a very valuable right of a civilised society and violation thereof is not permissible except by authority of law”

Circumstances in which authorisation for search and seizure can be issued :According to section 132(1), an Income Tax search can be ordered by a competent Income Tax Authority who in consequence of information in his possession, has reason to believe that -

(a) any person to whom a summon u/s 131(1) of the Income-tax Act or a notice u/s 142(1) of the Act was issued to produce, or cause to be produced, any books of account or other documents has omitted or failed to produce, or cause to be produced, such books of account or

other documents as required by such summon or notice, or

(b) any person to whom a summon or notice as aforesaid has been or might be issued, will not, or would not, produce or cause to be produced, any books of account or other documents which will be useful for or relevant to, any proceedings under the Income-tax Act, or

(c) any person is in possession of any money, bullion, jewellery or other valuable article or thing and such money, bullion, jewellery or other valuable article or thing represents either wholly or partly income or property, which has not been, or would not be, disclosed for the purposes of the Income-tax Act (hereinafter in this chapter referred to as the undisclosed income or property).

The above provisions are being analysed hereunder in light of the various judicial pronouncements.

1. Search warrants cannot be issued indiscriminately :The power of authorising a search has to be exercised in an honest manner and search warrants cannot be indiscriminately issued as a matter of policy. On a reading of section

132(1) of the Income-tax Act with section 165 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, it indicates that section 132(1) is intended to apply in limited circumstances to persons of a particular bent of mind, who are either not expected to co-operate with the authorities by the production of the relevant books or who are in possession of undisclosed money, bullion, jewellery etc. If an assessee has been regularly producing his books of account before the assessing authorities, who have been accepting those books as having been maintained in proper course of business, it would be somewhat unjustified use of power on the part of the authority to issue a search warrant for the production of those books of account, unless, of course, there is information to the effect that he is keeping some secret books also - H.L. Sibal v. C.I.T. [1975] 101 ITR 112, 138, (Pun) Undersection 132(1) of the Income-tax Act, 1961, a warrant authorising a search may be issued subject to the satisfaction of the officer issuing the warrant as required under sub-section (1) of section 132 of the Act. This would

Adv. Narayan Jain and CA Dilip Loyalka

enable a search and consequent seizure of the offending items of income so as to bring them within the purview of the Act. If in the course of such search operation, property including jewellery or even books of account are discovered to have a reasonable proximity with the object of the search but such property is located in another premises, a consequential search warrant can be issued authorising a search of the other premises where such property may be located. Under sub-section (3), the officer conducting the search may not effect any seizure but may require the owner of the property or the person in control of the same not to deal with the property in question except with the previous permission of the authorised officer.

In Harihar Shah v. CIT [2006] 281 ITR 199 (Kar.), a search and seizure operation was conducted in the premises of one D, a courier agency doing business within the city of Guwahati. In course of the search and seizure operation, evidence of two fixed deposit certificates issued by the then ANZ Grindlays Bank for Rs.20,000 and

Rs.25,000 respectively, renewed up to date were found. The said fixed deposits certificates were issued in the name of the petitioner, who had shown his address in the care of one S of D. On the basis of the said facts a consequential warrant of authorisation u/s 132(1A) was issued for search of the premises of the bank and thereafter on January 20, 2000, the respondents converted the value of the certificates into a bankers cheque payable to Department, whereafter the money was deposited in the account of the Commissioner. On a writ petition against the order, the Karnataka High Court held that there was no satisfaction recorded by the authorised officer to the effect that the amount covered by the fixed deposit certificates was in any way relatable to D in respect of whom satisfaction as regards suppression or concealment of income had led to the initiation of search on the strength of the original warrant. In the absence of such satisfaction, the consequential warrant authorising the search of the premises of the ANZ Grindlays Bank could not be held to be authorised u/s 132. The

action of the department in converting the property of the petitioner in the form of the fixed deposit certificates and further action of the department in obtaining a bankers' cheque for the amount covered by the two certificates and the consequential deposit of the amount of the bankers' cheque into the account of the Commissioner were unauthorised actions. [The Court directed refund of the amount by the Income-tax Department to the petitioner with interest at 11 per cent, the rate of interest on fixed deposits prevailing in the year 2000 for the period of 5 years for which money was illegally retained.]

2. “Reason to believe” - a must :The authority ordering a search must have reason to believe that any of the above circumstances exist. In case no such circumstance exists, he has no power to authorise a search. In case, the action of the authorising authority is challenged in Court, it must be shown that prima- facie circumstances existed in conformity with provisions of section 132(1) and were considered before the authorisation was made - Pooran Mal v. Director of

Inspection [1974] 93 ITR 505, 518 (SC).

3. Circumstances must exist on the date of issue of warrant: It has been held by Kerala High Court in the case of Kalpaka Bazar v. CIT [1990] 186 ITR 617, 620, that such circumstances should exist on the date of issue of the authorisation or search warrant. Similarly Allahabad High Court in the case of Dr. (Mrs.) Anita Sahai v. DIT (Inv.) & Ors. [2004] 266 ITR 597 (All.): 189 CTR (All.) 79 held that before authorising search u/s 132(1), the CIT or Director (Inv.) must be in possession of information giving him reason to believe that a person is in possession of jewellery, bullion or money, etc., which represents wholly or partly his income which was not disclosed or would not be disclosed. If the said condition is missing, he would have no jurisdiction to issue warrant of authorisation. If the reason to believe comes into existence later, then the authorisation as also consequent proceedings would be illegal even if material existed prior to issue of warrant. The very fact that the DIT (Inv.) issued notices u/s (1A) after the search and

seizure operation u/s 132 goes to show that there was neither reason to believe nor material before the authorising officer on the basis of which he could issue a warrant u/s 132. Also refer- Khem Chand Mukim v. PDIT (2020) 113 taxmann.com 529 (Del).

In Smt. Kavita Agarwal & Anr v. DIT (Inv.) & Ors. [2003] 264 ITR 472 (All.): 185 CTR (All.) 129, it has been held that mere reason to suspect cannot be equated with reason to believe and in the absence of reason to believe, the search operation was quashed. Similar view has been expressed in Madhu Gupta v. DIT (Inv.) [2013] 350 ITR 598 (Del.); Spacewood Furnishers (P) Ltd. & Others v. DGIT (Inv.) & Others [2012] 340 ITR 393 (Bom).

In the absence of satisfaction note, the assessment framed has been cancelled as it is bad in law - DCIT v. L.K. India Pvt. Ltd. [2015] 43 CCH 0263 (Ahd.Trib).

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# How UP becoming the Sports capital of India

Vivek Shukla



The recently concluded Asian Games at Guangzhou in China would be long remembered for the great showing of Indian players as they got 107 medals in various events. If we closely look our medal winners, it reveals something very special. While athletes from Haryana got 14 medals in individual events and topped the table, Uttar Pradesh has surprised all with an incredible performance. The athletes from Uttar Pradesh got seven medals and stood second in honour list. That Haryana has already established itself the powerhouse of Indian sport, the emergence of Uttar Pradesh should inspire other states as well. That also proves the point that the state government under the able leadership of Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath is investing heavily in sports infrastructure. Arguably, Uttar Pradesh has steadily become the sports capital of the country,

hosting the most successful Khelo India University Games, Asian Youth Handball Championship, Commonwealth Weightlifting Championship, and ITF Men's. The state has also hosted the Davis Cup and MotoGP in the recent past.

Talking about the Asian games, two young girls from Meerut in UP -- Parul Chaudhary and Annu Rani have clinched gold in the women's 5,000m race and javelin throw events, respectively. Surely, both have achieved more than expected from them. What makes the public celebration sweet for the families of the two athletes is that growing up both faced stiff resistance in their native hamlets to relatives and village elders who frowned upon women taking to "manly sports". Sanjeev Mishra, a noted Kanpur based sports writer, says “UP is changing and changing fast for the good. The people are encouraging their daughters to take sports as their career option. The state government is also creating sports infrastructure in state in a big way.”

Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath congratulated the two daughters of his state. CM Yogi praised Anu Rani, who won gold in javelin throw, and Parul Chaudhary, who clinched the gold medal in the 5000-meter race.

CM Yogi took to the social media platform X to write,



“Congratulations, Anu Rani, on your outstanding gold throw. Your throw of 62.92 meters was brilliant, showcasing your talent and strong determination. Your achievements inspire us all. Jai Hind.”

Similarly, the Chief Minister congratulated Parul Chaudhary for winning gold in the 5000-meter race, writing, “Congratulations to Parul Chaudhary for winning a splendid gold medal in the

women's 5000 meters at the Asian Games. Your excellent performance with a time of 15:14.75 has brought great pride to the country. My best wishes for your future endeavours.”

Annu Rani has changed the way people think in these parts. Growing up, both faced stiff

coach right. When not in the stadium, she would practise with sugarcane stalks on her family farm, drawing ridicule from the villagers. But she didn't pay any heed. It was a similar story with Parul Chaudhary. Uttar Pradesh Police has recruited the highest number of 579 athletes, the most by

would be awarded Rs3 crores, silver medalists Rs1.5 crores, and bronze medalists Rs75 lakhs.

More often than not, people ignore the fact that Uttar Pradesh has always been known as a sporting state because of the phenomenal number of UP athletes who have brought laurels to the country. It goes without saying that sport doesn't just empower on an individual basis; it also unites and inspires people collectively, which builds communities. Therefore, strengthening the sporting ecosystem is a must for state governments, given the personal and social development benefits sport offers.

Increasing access to and participation in sporting infrastructure is a development goal. This is one major reason why sports have emerged as a soft power for a state like Uttar Pradesh. Says Navneet Sehgal, an ex- IAS of UP cadre, “During my tenure as the Additional Chief Secretary of Sports, we came out with a formidable sports policy, as in government, the change starts at the policy level.”

As part of the new sports policy, special focus is laid on a range of aspects, from a player's physical fitness to training. Along with this, various provisions have been made to support the development of new institutions while connecting schools, colleges, and private academies with sports. The Uttar Pradesh government is also providing financial assistance to budding athletes, and it has also included provisions for the same. Each registered player will receive health insurance coverage of up to Rs 5 lakh from the state government.

Navneet Sehgal adds, “The state government aimed to focus on the grassroots level and, at the same time, invest in infrastructure and be on par with the constant evolution of the sports industry. The construction of mini-stadiums at developmental blocks is currently underway in the first phase.”

Also, a stadium is being built in every district, and many programmes, including the formation of young welfare and women

welfare committees in every village panchayat, are being undertaken to promote sports among youths in the state at the grassroots level. Also, sports kits have been provided to 65,000 youth and women welfare committees, and various efforts are being made to enhance facilities for athletes and encourage them at every level.

Similarly, UP government has signed MoUs with leading organisations in the country like JSW Sports, Abhinav Bindra Targeting Performance, and Sporta Technologies, among others, for the sustainable growth of sports in the state.

After the inclusion of e-sports in the new sports policy, Uttar Pradesh has also become the first state in the country in whose programme, youth across the state, are being encouraged for e-sports. Giving jobs to athletes has also been a priority for the state government. It is very heartening that Uttar Pradesh is giving so much importance to sports.

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## National Commission for Scheduled Castes Reviews Constitutional Safeguards for SCs in 6 Institutions of City, Emphasises on Effective Implementation of Reservation Rules



Kolkata, (KCN): The Chairman (In-charge), National Commission for Scheduled Castes, Shri Arun Halder, Shri Subhas Ramnath Pardhi and Dr Anju Bala had emphasised upon effective implementation of the Reservation Rules in the State. The full Commission was on a three-day visit to the State from October 11 to 13, 2023 to review the Constitutional safeguards available for the Scheduled Caste (SC) people in institutions like UCO Bank, Tea Board India, Coal India Limited, Calcutta

University, West Bengal State University, Barasat, Kalyani University and Jadavpur University. The Commission today, stated in a Press Conference in the city that, the heads of the mentioned institutions had been asked to prepare rosters of various posts and updated and made available to the Commission for further examination. The Commission found many backlog vacancies in these institutions, which roughly amounts to

200. The Commission today advised the heads of the institutions to take immediate necessary steps to fill up those backlog vacancies. The Commission also discovered lacunae in these fields and advised the institutional heads to rectify such anomalies. The Commission had decided to complete the pending works in these areas within next 30 days so that during the next proposed visit during the first/second week of December, 2023, all the records could be examined thoroughly.

## Arushi Baul from The Heritage School, Kolkata, secures the runners-up position at CISCE National Yoga Competition 2023



Kolkata, (KCN): The Heritage School, Kolkata, hosted the Council for the Indian School Certificate Examinations (CISCE) Regional Games & Sports- National Yoga Competition on 12th and 13th October 2023. The inaugural session of

the event was graced by Dr. Abhijit Ghosh, Director, S-VYASA, Kolkata, as the Chief Guest. Mr. Amit Ghosh, Teacher, Classical Hatha Yoga addressed the inaugural session as the Guest of Honour. Nearly 26 teams across 13 regions in India

participated in this 2- day National Yoga Competition. Proud to state that Arushi Baul of Class 10 The Heritage School, Kolkata, secured the runners-up position at the National Event. "I wish all the best to Arushi for the near future", said Ms. Seema Sapru, Principal, The Heritage School. The final day of the event was also attended by Mr. Pradip Agarwal, CEO, Heritage Group of Institutions, Kolkata.

## Addressing Sustainable Development Goal 5: An initiative by ICAR-CIFRI at Sagar Island, Sundarbans

Kolkata, (KCN): Sustainable Development Goal 5 (SDG 5) is one of the 17 Sustainable Development Goals established by the United Nations in 2015. SDG 5 is focussed on achieving gender equality and empowering all women and girls. The goal aims to end discrimination, violence, and harmful practices based on gender, ensuring equal opportunities in leadership, education, and employment for women. Moreover, the International Women Day's theme for the year 2023 is "Accelerating Equality & Empowerment". In this perspective, ICAR-Central Inland Fisheries Research Institute (ICAR-CIFRI) has taken up "Mission 3000" i.e. to adopt 3000 women across the country under SCSP/TSP/NEH scheme to empower them economically in the year 2023-24. In this regard, an initiative was taken to address SDG 5 by creating awareness and distributing inputs to the tribal womenfolk at Sagar Island, Sundarbans. ICAR-CIFRI has been supporting the tribal



community, one of the most vulnerable sections of the population of Sagar Island by providing technological inputs for rejuvenating their livelihood through fish farming under the STC programme. In last 10 years, CIFRI has introduced its scientific interventions in Sagar Island in different areas of fish farming like backyard pond culture, canal fisheries and fisheries in derelict waters. These interventions have brought an alternative source of income generation for the beneficiaries leading to a significant enhancement in their

annual income. Under 'Mission-3000', CIFRI has organized one awareness and input distribution programme on 13th October, 2023 to support the tribal fisherwomen of Kamalpur, Sagar Island, South 24 Parganas, West Bengal. In the programme, Shri Bankim Chandra Hazra, Hon'ble Minister-in-Charge, Sundarban Affairs, Govt. of West Bengal graced the occasion as the Chief Guest. The Hon'ble Minister not only praised the initiatives and activities of ICAR-CIFRI at Sundarbans but also ensured that any kind of co-operation on his part in future endeavors of

CIFRI towards 'Mission-3000'. He conveyed heartfelt thanks to CIFRI and the Director, Dr. B. K. Das for this initiative. He emphasised that only through the technological intervention and input distribution (fish seed, fish feed and medicine) by ICAR-CIFRI, the fishers of Sundarban are able to produce even table size fish and subsequently, enhancing their income. Dr. B.K. Das, Director, ICAR-CIFRI emphasized the importance of fisheries in the livelihood of the rural people and also affirmed that CIFRI would extend its support

to the tribal fisherwomen of Sagar Island in their fisheries activities for livelihood improvement. Dr. Das has enlightened the fishers regarding plastic pollution and use of pesticides. In this programme, CIFRI distributed fisheries inputs to 252 ST woman-fishers who have backyard ponds with an average area ranging from 0.02 ha to 0.04 ha in their household. All the households belonging to Scheduled Tribe community residing in Sagar Island have been covered in this programme. CIFRI has distributed 6 kg of IMC seeds, 20 kg of lime and 90 kg of fish feed to each beneficiary in this programme under the Scheduled Tribe Component. This programme was organized in collaboration with a local NGO namely Swami Vivekananda Youth and Cultural Society. Overall, the programme was successfully organized by the CIFRI team comprising scientists, technical staff and research scholars under the leadership of the Director of CIFRI.

## Central University of Odisha organizes Meri Matti Mera Desh Campaign and Amrit Kalash Yatras

Koraput, (KCN): As part of the 'Meri Matti Mera Desh Campaign', the Central University of Odisha celebrated Amrit Kalash Yatra on its both campuses on 13.10.2023. Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor of the University Prof. Chakradhar Tripathi extended warm wishes for the successful execution of this program, dedicated to paying homage to our beloved motherland and the valiant heroes who made remarkable sacrifices for our great nation. The Registrar I/c. of CUO, Prof. N. C. Panda inaugurated the Kalash Yatra, emphasizing the campaign's significance and administering the pledge to all participants.



At the university level, various activities were initiated to ensure the success of the Kalash Yatras. Students and staff contributed by bringing sacred soil from their homes and places of residence, which was then collected in the Amrit Kalash at both the Sunabeda and Landiguda campuses. During the collection of

this sacred soil, students, research scholars, faculty members, officers, and staff of the university united to take the 'Panch Pran' pledge, a commitment to building a greater India. Additionally, native saplings were planted at the Sunabeda campus, further reinforcing the message of environmental

conservation. In a fitting conclusion, the Kalash will be handed over to the district administration for necessary follow-up actions. The event drew the participation of a large number of participants, including Prof. Sharat Kumar Palita, Dean of the School of Biodiversity and Conservation of

Natural Resources; Prof. V.C. Jha, Advisor-Administration; Dr. Prashant Meshram, Controller of Examinations; Prof. Hemraj Meena, Director of the Rajbhasha Cell, Dr. Phagunath Bhoi, Public Relations Officer, and a diverse group of teaching and non-teaching staff, students, and research scholars. The program was coordinated by Dr. Ramendra Kumar Parhi, Dean of Students' Welfare of the University. This celebration of unity and reverence for our homeland showcased the university's commitment to fostering a sense of pride and patriotism among its academic community.

## INTER-DIVISIONAL CULTURAL COMPETITION (DANCE) ORGANISED BY SAMBALPUR DIVISION

Sambalpur, (KCN): Sambalpur Division of East Coast Railway organized Inter Divisional Cultural Competition (Dance)-2023 at Railway Community Hall, Sambalpur on 14.10.2023. In the Inter Divisional Cultural Competition (Dance)-2023, Sambalpur Division, Khurda Road Division, Waltair Division, East Coast Railway (HQ) and Mancheswar Workshop, Bhubaneswar teams participated. Gracing the occasion, Divisional Railway Manager, Sambalpur, Shri Vineet Singh joined as chief guest and Shri Siddharth Kati, Principal Chief

Personnel Officer, East Coast Railway & Shri Anand Singh Additional Divisional Railway Manager, Sambalpur joined as Guest of Honour. Chief Guest Shri Vineet Singh said that by organizing this type of competition, facilitated the contestants to show their hidden talents and the world can recognized this precious God given quality. In the category of group dance, Sambalpur division bagged the 1st position, Mancheswar Workshop bagged 2nd position and Khurda Road Division secured 3rd position and in the category of Solo dance Lipsa Ray of khurda Road division bagged 1st



position, Nikita Shrivastava of East Coast Railway (HQ) bagged 2nd and Priyansa Sahu of Sambalpur Division bagged 3rd position in the Cultural Competition (Dance) 2023. The

judges of the event were Shri Alok Kumar Panda, Shri R.K. Kanhar & Shri Sunderlal Patel. Chief guest awarded the participants for their outstanding performance. Shri Jusuf

Kabir Ansari, Sr. Divisional Personnel Officer, Sambalpur coordinated the programme. All officers and staff were present on the occasion.

## Farmer's Sensitization towards health management of fish at East Kolkata Wetland, West Bengal

Kolkata, (KCN): The ICAR-CIFRI has organized a one-day awareness program on 'Disease surveillance and health management of fish' at East Kolkata Wetland, West Bengal on 10th October 2023 under the supervision of

wastewater from Kolkata daily. Apart from providing multiple benefits including agriculture food production, resource recovery, flood reduction, habitat and biodiversity restoration, fish cultivation is a

disease management in freshwater aquaculture in India, sustainable approaches for aquaculture development, etc. While addressing the gathering, the team motivated the fishers on the fish culture and informed them about the beneficial impact of



Director, ICAR-CIFRI, Dr. B.K. Das. The East Kolkata floodplain wetland situated in the lower Bhagirathi basin and bounded by latitude 22°25'N to 22°40'N and longitudes 88°20'E to 88°35'E lies between two rivers, i.e., Hooghly River in the northwest and Bidyadhari in the east. These wetlands act as a natural wastewater treatment plant and reuse/treat about 800 million liters of

significant activity in these wetlands comprised of more than 154 big fisheries or bheries. A total of 40 fishers including 29 men and 11 women participated in the program. During the program, the team shared and enlightened the gathering on several areas of disease surveillance and health management of fish including aquatic environment vis-à-vis antimicrobial resistance issues, the status of fish

different fish culture methods, e.g., pen culture for production enhancement from the wetland. The farmers were also sensitized about recent viral diseases, e.g., Tilapia lake virus and Parvovirus, causing severe infection and mortality in Oreochromis niloticus. The scientific team also interacted with fishers and discussed fish growth, disease and farm management issues.



# Odisha: Devotees throng Samaleswari in large numbers



**SAMBALPUR(KCN):** Thousands of devotees thronged the Samaleswari temple in Sambalpur to witness the presiding deity Samaleswari in "Dhabalamukhi Besha" on the occasion of Mahalaya on Saturday. Goddess Samaleswari adorns the 'Dhabalamukhi Besha' only for two and half days in a year while during the rest of the year, she dons her usual red avatar. This year, the goddess will remain in 'Dhabalamukhi Besha' also known as 'Ganga Darshan' till 3 pm on Monday. The

preparation for the adornment starts the night before and takes an hour. Subsequently, after the rituals, the gates of the temple are opened for the devotees. President of Samaleswari Temple Trust Board, Sanjaya Baboo said, "The temple gates were opened for the devotees at 6 am on Saturday morning. Prior to that, the priests performed special rituals related to the besha. Later, in the morning and the evening 'Alati' was streamed live on the Facebook page of the Temple Trust Board. Elaborate arrangements have been made by the

temple authority for the devotees coming from across western Odisha and the neighbouring states. Similarly, adequate police arrangements have also been made for the peaceful 'darshan' of the deity. After Mahalaya, Navaratra Puja begins and continues for nine days in Samaleswari temple here, Baboo added. According to temple authorities, more than 30,000 people had visited the temple for a glimpse of the deity by 3 pm and the footfall is expected to exceed 60,000 by the end of the day.

# Odisha: Love triumphs over leprosy as elderly couple ties the knot

**BALASORE(KCN):** In a heartwarming celebration of love, an elderly man and woman, both above 60, found happiness in marriage at a leprosy care shelter home here on Friday. Das Marandi, 63, from a tribal family, who sought treatment for leprosy three years ago, and Padmavati Das, 65, another inmate of the shelter for a decade, exchanged vows to spend the rest of their lives together. The Health Department, in collaboration with the leprosy shelter in Bamapada, organised their wedding at the Jagannath temple on the

shelter home's premises. Padmavati's life took a tragic turn when she was diagnosed with leprosy. Despite receiving treatment and being cured of the disease, her family comprising her husband and two children, refused to accept her, fearing a relapse. Abandoned, she returned to the shelter home. After the duo spent time together at the shelter home, Das, a bachelor, proposed marriage to Padmavati three months back. Initially hesitant, she eventually accepted the proposal after encouragement from the shelter home's staff.

Their marriage was conducted following Hindu rituals in the presence of the chief district medical officer of Balasore, Dulalsen Jagdev, additional chief district medical Officer (ADMO) Dr Mrutyunjay Mishra, and the medical officer responsible for leprosy patients at the shelter home, Dr Sumitra Dey. ADMO Mishra expressed his delight at this unique union, where both inmates vowed to spend the rest of their lives together. "Such cases are rare and I would expect both to lead a life filled with happiness," he added.

# Suspension axe on Odisha teacher for beating 70 girl students over poor academic performance

**BERHAMPUR:** A teacher of RCM Upper Primary school in Ganjam's Soroda NAC was placed under suspension on Saturday on the charge of mercilessly beating around 70 girl students of Class VII who failed in the recent half-yearly examinations. The accused teacher was identified as Palvert Baliarsingh. The missionary school is government aided and has boarding facility. Sources said on March 6, Baliarsingh huddled the students, most of whom were tribals, in a room of the hostel and thrashed them with a baton. The teacher



was reportedly furious over the dismal performance of the students in the recent examinations. Unable to bear the torture, at least seven girls fell sick. However, instead of taking them to the hospital, the school management allegedly treated them in the hostel.

The school authorities managed to suppress the matter but a video clip of the incident went viral on social media following which action was taken against Baliarsingh. Contacted, in-charge headmaster of the school Pabitra Mohan Mantri admitted that the incident took place in the hostel. The

matter has been apprised to the authorities concerned, he added. Despite repeated attempts, no officer of the district education department was available for comment. Sources said parents of the victim students are yet to lodge a complaint with police in this connection.

# Potato bumper harvest turns nightmare for Odisha farmers




**BHUBANESWAR:** A Bumper harvest of potato this year has turned into a nightmare for the farmers who are struggling even to recover the input cost as the farm gate price of the vegetable is depressingly low. With wholesale price of potatoes at Rs 10 per kg in major markets of the state, there are no takers for the local produce at a time when more than 70 per cent of the crop has already been harvested. Traders are offering to buy the vegetable from potato growers at Rs 5 a kg

as the market rate has remained low compared to previous years. "We are expecting that the rabi potato production of the state may touch six lakh tonne with an average yield of about 20 tonne per hectare. A clear picture of production and productivity will emerge after potato harvesting is over," sources in the horticulture directorate told TNIE. Price of potatoes is not picking up due to bumper harvests across the country mostly in

neighbouring West Bengal, a major supplier of vegetables to the state. With no institutional mechanism for buyback from the farmers with a remunerative minimum support price, the potato growers are at the mercy of the market dynamics. With no cold storage facilities or organised potato mandi, the farmers are left with little choice but to sell their produce at whatever price is available in local markets, the sources maintained. General secretary of

Aiginia vegetable merchant association, Shakti Shankar Mishra said he is not in position to tell the farm gate price of the potato produced in the state as the vegetable is yet to arrive at the mandi. He said harvesting is still underway and it will take a couple of days for the arrival of locally produced potato. As per the area expansion programme through cluster approach, the horticulture directorate has increased the tuber cultivation from 27,155 hectare in 2021-22 to 33,000 hectare in 2022-23 with an anticipated production of 7.26 lakh tonne of potato. The government had also provided quality seeds of 50,000 quintal to farmers during this kharif season. Under the area expansion programme, the state government has made a plan to scale up potato production to over 13 lakh tonne by 2025-25.



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## CFA Institute in India Expands Student Accessibility with a New Exam Center in Bhubaneswar

**Bhubaneswar :** CFA Institute, the professional body for excellence and thought leadership in finance, has opened registrations for their upcoming February 2023 intake. Additionally, with the rising demand to increase candidate accessibility and convenience, the institute will have 4 new exam centers in Kochi, Chandigarh, Bhubaneswar and Guwahati for the CFA Program. These centers will take the total number of test center cities for the CFA exam to 16 across India and over 400 worldwide.

The recent CFA Institute Investor Trust survey showed that Indians place a high level of trust on the potential growth in job opportunities in the financial services sector. However, in the post-pandemic era, students as

well as professionals are prioritizing safety, accessibility and ease of travel while accomplishing their life and career goals. Ease of accessibility to exam centers is expected to improve a candidate journey through the program and reduce costs associated with travelling to take exams.

The CFA Charter continues to be the global gold standard for professionals aspiring to work in the investment management industry. We constantly work to make the CFA Program affordable, accessible, meritocratic and relevant. During the pandemic we moved our examinations to Computer Based Testing from Paper Based Exams and started offering examinations four times in a year. By expanding of our test center

network, we are taking one more step to bring the CFA Program within the reach of aspiring professionals and students in India.” Said Arati Porwal, Director Society Relations at CFA Institute in India.

India has a robust banking, insurance and investment industry. It has a diversified financial sector undergoing rapid expansion, both in terms of strong growth of existing financial services firms and new entities entering the market. With such rapid expansion, there is a growing demand for professionals with relevant competencies and high standards of ethics. The CFA Institute works closely with the industry and regulators to support an inclusive and secure financial services industry in India.

## Work disruption in Talcher coalfields plague MCL

Sambalpur (Odisha): Uncalled for absence of contractors’ workers on Friday paralysed coal mining operations at Mahanadi Coalfields Limited’s (MCL) Talcher coalfields in Angul district of Odisha.

Only departmental manpower and machines of MCL were at work in Talcher coalfields, which accounts for around 3 lakh tonne daily coal production and despatch to the consumers.

MCL has already incurred a loss in over 2.3 million tonne (MT) coal production and despatch since April 1 this year due to such uncalled for disruptions in Talcher coalfields, whereas the company suffered a financial loss of over Rs 332 crore.

Similarly, the government exchequer has lost about Rs 170 crore against royalty, District Mineral Fund (DMF), National Mineral Exploration Trust (NMET) etc. during the current financial year.

The Angul district has incurred a loss in the DMF to the tune of Rs 11.5 crore due to sporadic disruptions in coal mining operations during the past seven weeks. It may be noted that Mahanadi Coalfields Contractual Transport Workers Union of private contractors’ workers had stopped all mining activities in entire Talcher coalfields for continuous 88 hours from 18th to 21st April, resulting in 1.1 MT less coal production and despatch to the consumers.

Besides this, infrequent disruptions by the contractors’ workers in different areas of Talcher coalfields further added to the woes of MCL, which is running about 1.5 MT short on its plan for achieving the targeted 204 MT coal production and dispatch in financial year 2023-24.

The company, paying best in the industry HPC (high power committee) wages and providing free outpatient (OPD) facility to contractors’ workers, has recently sanctioned Rs 25.2 crore against gift coupon at the rate of Rs 15000 to each of 16,798 contractors’ workers as a goodwill gesture on achieving the new milestones in production and productivity during last financial year.

Considering the responsibility to ensure adequate coal to meet energy requirements of the country, it is appealed to the contractors’ workers to refrain from such uncalled for work disruptions and contribute to the growth of the nation.

## Blenders Pride Fashion Nights arrives in Bhubaneswar

**Bhubaneswar :** Blenders Pride Fashion Nights, a unique travelling experiential property, arrived in the City of Temples – Bhubaneswar – celebrating the authentic spirit of the city through fashion and style. A spirit that echoes with Pride and inspires the creators of today to become icons of tomorrow. Bhubaneswar’s ‘Made of Artistic Flair’ edition for Blenders Pride Fashion Nights, brought together an eclectic evening that blended fashion, culture and dance, celebrating a symbolic amalgamation of homegrown artistry and the unwavering spirit of local talent.

Exemplifying the region’s signature weave through a curated evening at the majestic Vivanta, Bhubaneswar, DC Square was Odia designer Sabyasachi Satpathy, whose intricately crafted ensembles drew inspiration from the multicultural city and its colourful history. In a true celebration of Odisha’s distinct and masterful craftsmanship, the show was elevated with a captivating performance by the Prince Dance Group– from the small Odisha town of Berhampur – widely lauded for their artistry. The show drew to a finale with none other than actor Diana Penty, who captivated the audience in a beautiful ensemble by the designer. The “Made of Artistic Flair” edition of Blenders Pride Fashion Nights was a beautiful embodiment of the rich craft and cultural heritage of the city in a modern and contemporary setting.

Taking us on a ‘Jatra’ – The Journey of a Young Woman – the show encapsulated the journey of a woman from post adolescence to her nuptials, navigating the various challenges, trials and significant moments that come her way. The enigmatic journey was captured through the array of colours and textiles that Odisha Bandha/Ikkat offers. Truly encapsulating the spirit of ‘Made of Pride’, the designer made use of Odisha.

## NSDL launches “Market ka Eklavya- Express” in 75 cities to mark 75 years of Independence

**Mumbai:** India’s largest depository, National Securities Depository Limited (NSDL) launched ‘Market ka Eklavya- Express’, an online investment awareness program for students that will be conducted in 8 different languages including Hindi. The program would serve as a beginner’s guide for investing for the youth.

To mark the significance of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav, an

initiative of Government of India to celebrate 75 years of independence and the glorious history of our people, culture and achievements, NSDL has launched a new initiative towards investor awareness ‘Market Ka Eklavya - Express’ across 75 cities, especially aimed at the college students who would very soon be entering the phase where they would start earning and naturally,

look for avenues of investment.

Earlier this month, Market ka Eklavya (5-hours program) was launched by the hon’ble Finance Minister of India, Smt. Nirmala Sitharaman at the silver jubilee event of NSDL.

On the launch of the initiative Ms. Padmaja Chunduru, MD & CEO, NSDL said, “Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav is a special initiative launched by

our Prime Minister to celebrate and commemorate 75 years of India’s Independence. Our program has been particularly aimed to create awareness about the financial markets to the young minds who will be the future of our country. In this Amrit Kaal, our digital education initiative focuses on building a path towards Financial Freedom for our youth, symbolizing the spirit of

Atmanirbhar Bharat.”

Students across India will benefit from this program as it does not restrict to just an area of the population. The program will be conducted for 1 hour and mainly educate the students on demystifying the jargons, 3I’s – types of Income; Inflation and its impact, types of Investment; 3S – Start early- Power of Compounding, Spread wide, Stay long etc.

## Better eye health could boost Indian economy by US\$27bn (?2.2trn) this World Sight Day



**Bhubaneswar(KCN) -** Avoidable sight loss would add US\$27 billion (?2.2 trillion) per year to India’s economy, according to new research released this World Sight Day. The Love Your Eyes campaign is releasing the figures to highlight how improved eye health boosts productivity, urging business leaders to put eye health on the workplace wellbeing agenda this World Sight Day.

The study, conducted by the International Agency for the Prevention of Blindness (IAPB) and Prof. Kevin Frick from Johns Hopkins, calculated the costs of

avoidable sight loss among people over 50. India had the third-highest potential savings of all countries in the study.

As technology transforms the world of work, the future economy will be dominated by service industries and office-based jobs involving the prolonged use of screens. Without proper precautions, this can lead to eye strain and negatively impact eye health.

Sight loss costs the global economy US\$411 billion every year, according to the Lancet Global Health Commission on Global

Eye Health. An estimated 30% of people with sight loss experience a reduction in employment, with women, people in rural communities and ethnic minority groups among the groups most affected. However, 90% of sight loss is avoidable with early detection and treatment.

In India, there are currently 70 million people with visual impairment. Preventing sight loss with early detection and treatment for eye conditions like cataracts and myopia is vital to protect livelihoods and allow businesses to thrive.

## Amitabh Bachchan named as APL Apollo’s Brand Ambassador

**Bhubaneswar:** APL Apollo, India’s largest structural steel tubes and pipes company, has announced the appointment of the extraordinary Mr. Amitabh “Big B” Bachchan as its brand ambassador. Building on its 30+ years legacy and the Make in India mantra, APL Apollo aims to further strengthen and expand its brand identity across the country with this signing.

Reflecting on the announcement, Mr. Sanjay Gupta, Chairman & Managing Director, APL Apollo Tubes Ltd said, “We are incredibly proud to welcome Mr. Bachchan as he embodies all the qualities that APL Apollo stands for – excellence, versatility, and timeless quality. We are consistently channelling our efforts to deliver world-class quality, much like Big B and we are confident that this



partnership will serve to reinforce our strong presence in the Indian market.”

“Amitabh Bachchan’s iconic face is a forever appeal that strikes a chord with millions of hearts, not just in India, but worldwide. His enduring appeal will go a long way in elevating our brand image everywhere. This

strategic move by APL Apollo will pave the way for not just elevated brand recognition but also an enhanced brand experience. By bringing diverse audiences through this ploy, the brand will witness wider connections,” said Ms. Charu Malhotra, Chief Brand Officer, APL Apollo Tubes Ltd.

## Jindal Stainless signs MoU with SCTEVT, Odisha to train future-ready stainless steel professionals

**Bhubaneswar:** Odisha’s State Council for Technical Education & Vocational Training (SCTEVT) today signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Jindal Stainless to promote technical education in the field of stainless steel and its various applications. Under this MoU, stainless steel courses will be introduced in all the Polytechnic colleges in Odisha from June 2022. The MoU was signed by Vice Chairman,

SCTE&VT, Shri Reghu G (IAS) and Unit Head, Jindal Stainless Limited (JSL), Shri Deepak Agrawal. Dignitaries present at the ceremony included Chairman, SCTE&VT and Principal Secretary to Government, Skill Development and Technical Education (SDTE) and Industries Departments, Shri Hemant Sharma (IAS); Additional Secretary, SDTE, Govt of Odisha, Shri Tapan Satpathy (OAS); Resident Director, JSL, Mr SS

Upadhyay, and General Manager, Sales & Distribution, Mr Ranit Rana.

Commending the development, Chairman, SCTE&T and Principal Secretary to Government, SDTE and Industries Departments, Shri Hemant Sharma (IAS) said, “This collaboration with Jindal Stainless will enhance the learning experience for students and faculty both, as it will give them insights about and practical exposure to the stainless steel industry.



# It felt like a bilateral BCCI game, not a India-Pak WC fixture: Mickey Arthur

**New Delhi:** The absence of Pakistan fans at the Narendra Modi Stadium during their World Cup fixture against India has left the Pakistan team manager disheartened, and they have not concealed their disappointment and criticism. Team director Mickey Arthur expressed his concern that the event seemed more like a bilateral affair organized by the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) rather than a truly global championship under the International Cricket Council (ICC). "Look, I'd be lying if I said it did. It didn't seem like an ICC event to be brutally honest. It

seemed like a bilateral series; it seemed like a BCCI event. I didn't hear Dil Dil Pakistan coming through the microphones too often tonight," Arthur said after Babar Azam side lost to India by seven wickets. He was replying to a question if the presence of a massive 130,000 partisan crowd had an impact on their showing.

"So yes, that does play a role, but I'm not going to use that as an excuse because for us it was about living the moment, it was about the next ball and it was about how we were going to combat the Indian, the Indian players tonight," the South African said. Specifically asked if



such a thing should have been allowed to happen at all, Arthur left the question open-ended. "Look I don't think I can't comment on that

just yet. I don't want to get fined." The absence of Pakistan fans has been a major talking point in the lead-up to the World Cup, and

the BCCI has faced considerable criticism for not collaborating with the Government of India to secure travel approvals for Pakistan

fans. In fact, there was an unusual delay in visa approvals for Pakistani journalists and just about half a dozen reporters from Pakistan could come for this match. Arthur's views were endorsed by the Pakistan coach too. "Naturally that was going to be the case. We are really sad that our supporters aren't here, they would love to be here and I am sure Indian cricket fans would love our supporters here as well. It was certainly unusual in that way, no familiar music for us today. So, it did not feel like a World Cup game, honestly. We didn't expect anything else. We love the occasion and we are disappointed that we

did not do justice to the occasion or justice to our many fans at home and globally," Grant Bradburn said. Arthur did not pull any punches in admitting that Pakistan were the second best side in the contest. "I thought we were a little bit timid. I did think we could probably have taken on the Indian spinners just a little bit more. It was a wicket that didn't turn massively, and I thought we needed to put some pressure back. But again, they were building and building nicely. I think we've got to realize that there are two ways to always skin a cat. And we've had success by

taking it deep and then cashing in at the back end. That's been our style, that's been our brand, but we didn't play the Pakistan Way tonight, and that was the disappointing aspect of it for me."

Arthur also praised the Indian team stating that he saw finalists in Rohit Sharma's men and hoped that his side will be there too in the title clash. "This Indian team is a very, very good cricket team. I think they're very well led by Rahul and Rohit. I think they look good. I think they've got all bases covered and I'm looking forward to meeting them in the final again," he said.

## Virat Kohli Gifts Autographed Jersey To Babar Azam After IND vs PAK Game



**New Delhi:** In a heartwarming gesture of sportsmanship, Indian cricket legend Virat Kohli gifted his signed jersey to Pakistan's captain, Babar Azam, after India's resounding victory over their arch-rivals in the ICC World Cup 2023. This unforgettable moment took place in Ahmedabad, where India defeated Pakistan by 7 wickets, keeping their unbeaten streak intact. In a thrilling encounter at the Narendra Modi Stadium, India's bowlers delivered a spectacular performance, bowling out Pakistan for a mere

191 runs. The match's heroics were anchored by Rohit Sharma's outstanding innings of 86 and Shreyas Iyer's unbeaten 53 runs. India cruised past the target in just 30.3 overs, securing their victory. The Indian bowling attack, led by Jasprit Bumrah, exhibited relentless determination, as they triggered a stunning Pakistan collapse. With Bumrah (2/19), Siraj (2/50), Kuldeep (2/35), Hardik Pandya (2/34), and Ravindra Jadeja (2/35) joining forces, Pakistan crumbled from 155 for 2 to 191 all out in 42.5

overs. The head-to-head record now stands at a commanding 8-0 in favour of the Men in Blue in the ODI World Cups against Pakistan. As the Indian players celebrated their victory, Virat Kohli was seen having a heartfelt conversation with Babar Azam. In a touching moment, Babar, a self-professed admirer of Kohli, requested a signed jersey from the Indian captain. Kohli, displaying true sportsmanship, was more than happy to oblige and promptly handed over his signed jersey to Babar.

**New Delhi:** Don Topley couldn't sleep. He ventured out of his hotel room in Singapore at 3 am, looking for a cup of tea and some news when devastation struck him, not for the first time. "The opening line on the sports news was, England frontline seamer out of the World Cup," Don tells Cricbuzz. A couple of days before, Reece, his son, who was tipped to lead England's fast bowling attack in the 2022 T20 World Cup in Australia, suffered a freak injury. Reece was out training to take dual catches at the boundary line with Chris Jordan a day before the warm-up match against Pakistan on October 17 in Brisbane, when he tripped over the boundary skirting and hurt his ankle ligaments. The fast bowler then travelled with his teammates to Perth where England's World Cup campaign was to kick-off four days later, but his journey ended even before the first ball was bowled in the tournament. "I remember going to



visit him in the Perth hotel next door to the Optus stadium. I couldn't console him, he just burst into tears. Seeing a 28-year-old man crying in the prime of his career, having it [World Cup] being taken away from him..." Don says. Don and his wife Julia have travelled a lot to watch Reece play international cricket over the years. This trip via Singapore was to take them to Perth first where he was set to play Afghanistan in the tournament opener, and then trail England for the entirety of the campaign. Internal flights were booked, and hotels paid for. What they arrived at instead was Reece sitting in his room in a moon

boot, unable to fight the onrushing of tears. Reece had no intention to stick around for long. This was not how his 2022 was meant to turn out. Just a couple of months before the T20 World Cup, he flexed his white-ball credentials with a six-wicket haul against India in an ODI at Lord's - the best ODI figures by an Englishman (6 for 37). In line with his cruel career trajectory, however, this high was met immediately with the crushing low of missing out on the T20 World Cup that England went on to win. "He went home immediately after the England-Afghanistan first game in Perth. As England were walking off

the field, he gave them a high-five, got into the car and went to the airport. Even today, it makes me feel cold and awkward. He had that very long flight with a layover in Singapore. I bet he had some very quiet moments. That must've been horrendous," Don revealed. This has been Reece Topley's life - a strapping, left-arm fast bowler, standing six feet eight inches tall and with the capability to have the World at his feet, only for injuries to keep pegging him back. At 19, he suffered his first stress fracture that came as a shock. But then there were five of them that led to a back operation and the acknowledgement from the pacer that he might not necessarily get to play as much cricket for England as he'd always envisaged. Don, who was a former cricketer and has been a coach, told those who asked, that it took ample talent, a lot of resilience and a lucky body to be a successful fast bowler.

## Sri Lanka skipper Dasun Shanaka ruled out of World Cup

**New Delhi:** Sri Lanka's ODI skipper Dasun Shanaka has been ruled out of the ongoing World Cup in India due to a thigh injury. Chamika Karunaratne, who was on the stand-by list, has been added to the squad. The injury comes as a blow for Sri Lanka who are one amongst the four teams to have not won a game yet in the World Cup. "Karunaratne, who has played 23 ODIs, was named as a replacement after Shanaka was ruled out due to a right thigh muscle injury sustained during Sri Lanka's match against Pakistan on 10th October. The injury needs three weeks to recover," said the ICC in a statement while the Technical Committee approved the change. Kusal Mendis, who has been leading from the front with the bat for Sri Lanka, and is the designated vice-captain, is set to take over as captain. Shanaka's absence provides opportunity for Karunaratne, who hasn't featured in an ODI for Sri Lanka since March this year.

# Rohit, bowlers star in Pakistan demolition

**New Delhi:** India put up a terrific performance to down Pakistan in their much-anticipated clash in Ahmedabad on Saturday (October 14) to not only extend the World Cup streak against their arch-rivals but also go top of the table. Having knocked over Pakistan with the ball for just 191, India came out all guns blazing led by skipper Rohit Sharma's 63-ball 86 to overhaul the target with 117 balls to spare. The returning Shubman Gill hit his first ball for a boundary as India knocked off 10 runs in the very first over of the chase. And in the next, Gill stepped it up by smashing Hasan Ali for three fours to mark his return in style. But he was

immediately by Shaheen as the batter hit one straight to backward point. That early wicket had no bearing on what happened next as Rohit absolutely toyed with the Pakistan attack to set the tone early. In the space of three overs, Rohit smashed four sixes in total against Shaheen, Mohammad Nawaz and Haris Rauf to thrill the capacity crowd before Pakistan found some respite in the form of Virat Kohli's wicket. But by the end of the powerplay, India already had 79 on the board and were well on their way to a huge win. Rohit brought up another fifty and then launched Rauf for his fifth six of the innings whereas Shreyas Iyer was content getting into his groove slowly.



Rohit's assault finally came to an end after he

miscued a slower delivery from Shaheen

before Iyer and KL Rahul completed the

formalities for a massive win. Earlier in the day, Pakistan's shocking collapse with the bat made headlines after they were asked to bat first. No one saw them posting just 191 on the board after the partnership between Babar Azam and Mohammad Rizwan saw them well placed at 150/2 at one stage. Even to begin the innings, Pakistan looked comfortable in their own pace as they were happy to not take risks against Jasprit Bumrah. Mohammad Siraj was targeted for boundaries but he was the one who gave India the first breakthrough by trapping Abdullah Shafique leg-before-wicket. Hardik Pandya also made an expensive start like

Siraj before finding the outside edge of Immanuel-Haq. Both Babar and Rizwan then joined forces and while the skipper was playing some gorgeous strokes, the wicketkeeper-batter was more than content making a conservative start. Rizwan then came into his zone when the spinners were introduced as he showed his range of strokes to hit both Kuldeep Yadav and Ravindra Jadeja for boundaries. Babar at the other end managed to reach fifty for the first time against India in his seventh attempt in ODI cricket. Rohit's move to bring back Siraj didn't appear to work initially as the two set batters hit him for a boundary each but the pacer roared back in

style by castling Babar that gave India an opening to capitalise on. Kuldeep removed Saud Shakeel and Iftikhar Ahmed in the same over to add to Pakistan's woes but the big blow came from Bumrah as he bowled an offcut that breached Rizwan's defence to hit the off stump. Losing four quick wickets rattled Pakistan big time as they never managed to recover from that setback and ended up with just 191. Brief scores: Pakistan 191 in 42.5 overs (Babar Azam 50, Mohammad Rizwan 49; Jasprit Bumrah 2/19) lost to India 192/3 in 30.3 overs (Rohit Sharma 86, Shreyas Iyer 53\*) by 7 wickets