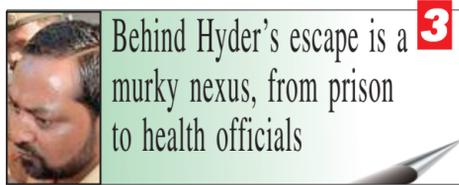


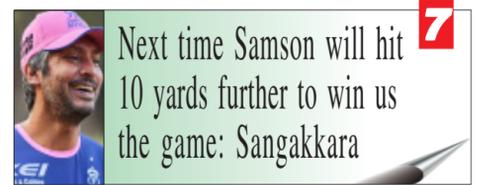
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## India has walked the talk during pandemic: PM Modi at Raisina Dialogue



New Delhi, Apr 13: PM Modi inaugurated the virtual Raisina Dialogue and said the conference is taking place as a global pandemic has been ravaging the world for over a year. Prime Minister Narendra Modi said on Tuesday India has tried to walk the talk "in our own humble way and within our own limited resources" to tackle the coronavirus disease (Covid-19), which has affected and killed millions across the world. PM Modi said the pandemic has presented opportunity to reshape the world order and reorient our thinking as he inaugu-

rated the sixth edition of the Raisina Dialogue. "This edition of Raisina Dialogue takes a place at a watershed moment in human history. A global pandemic has been ravaging the world for over a year. The last such global pandemic was a century ago," PM Modi said during his addresses at the inaugural session of Raisina Dialogue. "During this pandemic, in our own humble way and within our own limited resources, we in India have tried to walk the talk. We have tried to protect our own 1.3 billion citizens from the pandemic. At the same

time, we have also tried to support pandemic response efforts of others," he added. "We understand fully that mankind will not defeat the pandemic unless all of us, everywhere, regardless of the colour of our passports, come out of it. That is why, this year, despite many constraints, we have supplied vaccines to over 80 countries," the Prime Minister said. The four-day Raisina Dialogue is being held virtually this time due to the ongoing coronavirus pandemic. It is India's flagship conference on geopolitics and geoeconomics and is being hosted by the think tank Observer Research Foundation (ORF) in partnership with the ministry of external affairs (MEA). The theme for the 2021 conference is "#ViralWorld: Outbreaks, Outliers and Out of Control".

## Chief Minister Launches Two IT-Enabled Modules; 100 Junior Executive Assistants Join OMC

**CM's Advice to New Entrants-- Work Efficiently with Absolute Transparency, Follow Teamwork**

Bhubaneswar, Apr 13: Chief Minister Shri Naveen Patnaik today launched two IT-enabled modules in line with the 5-T initiatives and attends orientation programme for the newly recruited 100 Junior Executive Assistants in Odisha Mining Corporation at Convention Centre, Loka Seva Bhavan. Addressing the occasion Chief Minister Sri Patnaik advised the newly-recruited Junior Executive Assistants to work efficiently emphasizing utmost importance to Transparency & Teamwork. He also appreciated the role of OMC for propelling the economic growth of the state and contributing immensely in the CSR activities. By implementing the two additional IT systems, OMC - one of the largest and fastest growing mining PSUs

in the country - has further strengthened its business processes, the CM said. He further added that the "Gandhamardan Iron Ore Mines Traffic and Ore Dispatch Automation Project" is a technology-enabled solution which provides seamless traffic management for timely ore despatch from the mines augmenting sales, ensures safety standards & transparency. The other IT module "Vendor Invoice Management System (VIMS)" provides a digital platform for end-to-end processing of invoices of vendors of OMC for timely payment & transparent processes. Shri Prafulla Kumar Mallick, Minister, Steel & Mines said that the OMC is leading the state since 1956 with its contribution to development and CSR activities. The function



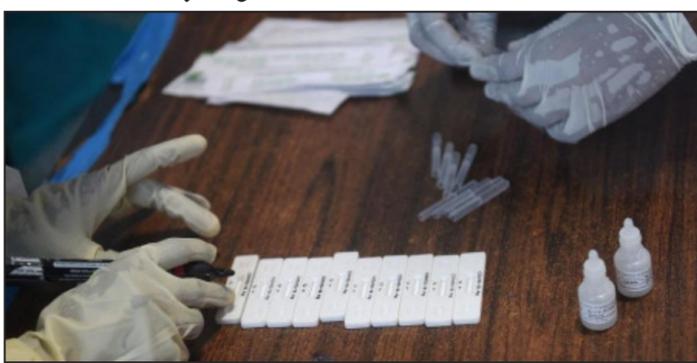
was also attended by Chief Secretary Shri Suresh Chandra Mahapatra and other senior officers. Principal Secretary Steel & Mines, and Chairman OMC Sri Surendra Kumar welcomed the guests and MD OMC Shri Balwant Singh offered the vote of thanks. Secretary to Chief Minister 5T Shri V. K. Pandian enlightened the new entrants on the vision of 5T Initiative. He spoke on how they should follow

the principles of 5T to contribute to the transformation of the State. It may be mentioned here that OMC has been consistently displaying better performance in terms of ore production and sales revenues. It is expected that OMC is on its path to double the production and sales in the next two to three years and achieve \$1 Billion revenue in the next year. OMC has made significant journey leveraging Tech-

nology. In the past, the corporation has implemented SAP HANA, e-office and important IT modules like Customer Integrated Management Services (CIMS) and Stockyard Management System (SMS) and plans to implement IT-enabled systems like Compliance Management System, Litigation Management System, Project Monitoring Tool, Asset Tracking System and Safety Management System.

## With second wave intensifying, Odisha reactivates all Covid care facilities

Bhubaneswar, Apr 13: With the Covid-19 second wave assuming menacing proportions by the passing day, the State government on Monday sought to resurrect its dedicated healthcare infrastructure across districts and directed collectors, municipal commissioners and CDMOs to reactivate Covid facilities in government and private hospitals to deal with the situation. Additional Chief Secretary of Health PK Mohapatra asked the collectors to activate existing health facilities in a phase-wise manner with an increment of 50 beds at a time. The number of ICU beds has to be 20 per cent of general beds and availability of ventilators should be at least 50 per cent of all ICU beds, he said. The government has asked all private hospitals having 30 beds or more to keep



at least 10 per cent beds in general wards and ICUs reserved for Covid-19 patients. "They will increase the facility up to 80 per cent of available general beds and ICUs in a phased manner if caseload increases," Mohapatra said. In large facilities having more than 100 beds, there should be provision of surgery (all types), maternity care, NICU and dialysis facilities. Meanwhile, the government announced fresh guidelines on func-

tioning of healthcare facilities in a bid to decongest them and prevent spread of the virus from the institutions. As per the guidelines, all elective surgeries will be stopped and emergency surgeries will be taken up with universal precautions. Non-essential admissions will also be restricted. The Central patient registration system will be suspended for the time being and manual registration will be taken up with due social distancing

measures in OPDs to avoid the large gathering at the counters. Doctors have also been asked to avoid advising frequent re-visit of patients if not required. Restrictions have also been imposed on the entry of journalists inside OPDs and IPDs. Covid appropriate behaviour will be strictly enforced in hospitals with infection control measures. Only one attendant will be allowed for serious patients in the wards while none will be

allowed for ambulatory patients. The number of drug distribution counters will be increased while dedicated fever clinics, isolation wards and testing facilities will be set up as per the guidelines issued by the government. "People are to be encouraged to utilise existing telemedicine services for their ailments," the guidelines issued by the Directorate of Health Services stated. The department asked the CDMOs and medical superintendents to enforce the safety protocols and guidelines in all health facilities including private health establishments. "If required hospital administrations may take further measures depending on the local situation to ensure social distancing and infection control in the hospitals," the department stated.

## Gatherings In Public For Celebrations During Ramzaan Prohibited In Odisha Capital

Bhubaneswar, Apr 13: At a time when there is surge in Covid cases each passing day, the Bhubaneswar Municipal Corporation (BMC) today prohibited any kind of congregations and gatherings in public for celebrations during Ramzaan month. While issuing a set of guidelines for the Ramzaan celebrations, the BMC stated, however, usual religious rituals and Nammaz at Mosques are allowed with a maximum of 100 participants or 50% capacity of the premises, whichever

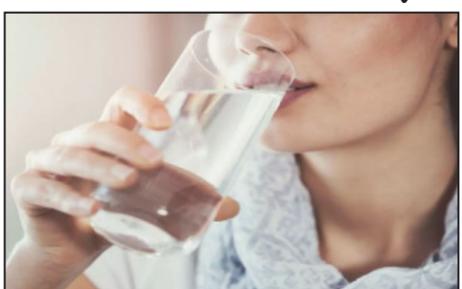
is less. The BMC made it mandatory for participants including the Mosque officials to wear mask properly and maintain two metres social distancing at all the times. The Mosque Management Committee will ensure that the Covid protocol is maintained. Also, the Mosque authorities will make provision of hand washing and hand sanitization at the entrance of the Mosque for use of all. Hand washing facility must be with running water and as per COVID protocol, the BMC order stated.

There shall be provision of thermal screening of the participants at the entry of the Mosque and person having SARI/ILI Like symptoms will not be allowed inside. The BMC advised persons over 65 years of age and children below 10 years age not to attend such congregation in view of public safety. In Bhubaneswar, a total of 191 Covid cases were detected in last 24 hours. Of them quarantine cases were 45 whereas local contact cases were at 146.



## Odisha To Establish Water Academy To Provide Quality Services

Bhubaneswar, Apr 13: With an aim to provide quality water to people and ensure better waste water management, the Odisha government today decided to set up the 'Odisha Water Academy' at Bhubaneswar. The first-of-its-kind initiative in the country will function as a



pioneering training and capacity building institution in the field of water and wastewater service provision. In a statement, the government said the main objective of the water academy is to enhance the quality and service levels in the sector for customer satisfaction and for better

health and environment outcomes. Pratap Jena, Minister for Housing and Urban Development, Panchayati Raj and Drinking Water and Law, stated that safe drinking water and wastewater service provision to each urban household in the state is a priority of the Government.

## Jambusar taluka non-operational amid pandemic: Mansukh Vasava to Gujarat Deputy CM



Vadodara, Apr 13: In the letter, Vasava has alleged the lone government hospital in the taluka has been non-operational during the current pandemic because government doctors were "busy running their private practice" in cities like Vadodara. With the growing number of Covid-19 cases in Bharuch district, Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) MP Mansukh Vasava in a letter to Deputy Chief Minister Nitin Patel, who is also

the state Health Minister, has said Jambusar taluka, which has been among the most-affected by the coronavirus disease in the district, does not have a single government facility for Covid-19 treatment. In the letter, Vasava has alleged the lone government hospital in the taluka has been non-operational during the current pandemic because government doctors were "busy running their private practice" in cities

like Vadodara. "Bharuch district has a number of patients admitted to the government as well as private hospitals for Covid-19 treatment. But despite several directions, the government hospital in Jambusar in the district has not become functional for Covid-19 treatment. The private hospitals in Jambusar are treating Covid-19 patients but the government hospital is yet to admit patients. In this context, it has been

learnt that the doctor on duty at the Jambusar Civil Hospital is running a private hospital in Vadodara and has no interest in working at the government hospital. Therefore, you must conduct an immediate inquiry into the matter and take appropriate action to ensure that the Covid-19 treatment begins in the Covid-19 hospital in Jambusar," the letter states. A copy of the letter has also been marked to Surat MLA Kishor Kanani. When contacted, Bharuch Collector M D Modiya said, "The facility is not a civil hospital but a sub-urban health centre that can be functional as a Covid Care Centre. We have already directed the centre to make arrangement for a capacity of about 27 to 29 occupants, and it will be functional this week. There is only one civil hospital

in the district in Bharuch town and our dedicated Covid-19 facility is in Ankleshwar at a private hospital that we have taken over." According to an integrated Intelligent Referral System (IRS) developed by the Vadodara Municipal Corporation (VMC) for availability of beds across districts of Central and South Gujarat around Vadodara city, the only Covid-19 hospital in Jambusar, a private-run Al Mahmood Hospital, has a capacity of 90 beds which were all occupied on Tuesday. Bharuch district has a total of 43 empanelled Covid-19 hospitals with a total of 1,293 beds — 1,133 oxygen-equipped and 175 ICU beds with 97 ventilators. The district so far has recorded a total of 4,531 Covid-19 cases, 429 of which have been reported since April 1.

## Nizamuddin Markaz mosque can't be opened as DDMA guidelines ban religious gatherings: Centre to HC

New Delhi, Apr 13: A day after the Delhi High Court said that the Nizamuddin Markaz mosque be opened for prayers during the month of Ramzan in accordance with the Delhi Disaster Management Authority (DDMA) guidelines, the Centre and Delhi Police Tuesday told the court that no gathering or congregation can be permitted as these have been prohibited by the DDMA since April 10. The court asked the authorities to file an affidavit by Thursday, detailing the manner in which this rule is being followed. Justice Mukta Gupta also recorded a central government counsel's statement that till the next date of hearing, the five persons who have been holding prayers at the mosque since last year will continue to be permitted to do so. However, the court declined to increase the number for Wednesday,

the first day of Ramzan. On Monday, the court had rejected a submission made by Centre and Delhi that only 20 persons be allowed to enter the mosque during Ramzan out of a police-verified list of 200 people. The court on Tuesday also asked authorities to file a response to the plan submitted by

court has been hearing a petition filed by Delhi Waqf Board through advocate Wajeeh Shafiq for easing of restrictions at the Markaz, including the mosque where public entry was banned in the aftermath of Tablighi Jamaat members testing positive for Covid there a year ago. In response to Solicitor



Delhi Waqf Board for holding prayers during the month. On Monday, a joint inspection of authorities and mosque management had taken place at the religious place to mark the spots for placing of prayer mats and holding of prayers in accordance with social distancing norms. The

General of India Tushar Mehta's statement that all religious gatherings have been banned, senior advocate Ramesh Gupta, representing the Waqf Board, submitted before the court that he can submit photographs of Karol Bagh Hanuman Mandir to show a long queue and absence of social distancing.

## Sunni Waqf Board moves Allahabad HC against Varanasi court order in Kashi Vishwanath Mandir-Gyanvapi Masjid case



Allahabad, Apr 13: The Uttar Pradesh Sunni Central Waqf Board on Tuesday moved an urgent petition before the Allahabad High Court in the Kashi Vishwanath Mandir-Gyanvapi Masjid case in which the trial court at Varanasi al-

lowed an ASI study of the mosque on April 8. Sunni Central Waqf Board's standing counsel Puneet Kumar Gupta argued that the trial court passed the order illegally and without its jurisdiction as the matter is in the high court

and Justice Prakash Pandey reserved its order on March 15 this year. "We moved the Allahabad High Court today against the judgment of the lower court and filed a petition," Gupta, a permanent advocate of the Uttar Pradesh Sunni Central Waqf Board, told PTI. "Since Justice Prakash Padiya of the Allahabad High Court reserved the judgment on March 15, 2021, how can the lower court hear the matter and pass the order?" he asked.

## Tripura: Pradyot Kishore to take oath as autonomous council chief on April 20

Tripura, Apr 13: After a thumping victory in Tripura Tribal Areas Autonomous District Council (TTAADC) polls, all the 18 winning candidates of the regional political party, Tipraha Indigenous Progressive Regional Alliance (TIPRA), led by royal scion Pradyot Kishore Debbarma will take oath of office on April 20, ending the Communist Party of India's (Marxist) (CPM) three-term rule of the council. "On 20/04/2021, Oath



taking ceremony of Chief Executive Member and Executive Members will take place at NUI Auditorium Hall, Khumulwng..." read part of a notification signed by TTAADC chief executive

officer Balin Debbarma. Pradyot Kishore is expected to take oath as the chief executive member of the 30-member council. With this poll, his party has emerged as the second biggest political force in the

state, barely two years before the state goes to assembly polls. Pradyot resigned from the Congress in 2019 and floated TIPRA Motha this year with the chief promise of forming a Greater Tripaland by including indigenous population living outside the TTAADC region in Tripura and other Indian states like, Assam, Mizoram and some parts of neighbouring country Bangladesh. TIPRA won 18 of the 28 TTAADC seats that went to polls on

April 6, leaving the ruling Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) in the second position with nine seats. One seat was won by an independent. Results were declared on April 10. Over 85% turnout was recorded in the polling. The TTAADC, formed in 1982, covers close to 70% of Tripura's geographical area and over 30% of the state's population. BJP had earlier said that the party didn't field enough candidates in the council polls to get majority of its own.

## India Covid-19 second wave has crossed previous spike, worrying: Govt

New Delhi, Apr 13: Union health secretary Rajesh Bhushan pointed out that the trend in India's Covid-19 cases trajectory in the second wave is "worrying". The Centre on Tuesday said the second wave of the coronavirus disease (Covid-19) has crossed the previous highest surge and the upward trend of the infections is a cause of concern. Union health secretary Rajesh Bhushan pointed out that the trend in India's Covid-19 cases trajectory in the second wave is "worrying". "We have 89.51% people who have been cured, 1.25% deaths and 9.24% active cases. If we look at new cases, we will find that the previous highest surge has already been crossed and the trend is going upward. That is a cause



for worry," Bhushan said during a press conference. The top health ministry official added that the daily Covid-19 deaths recorded in the country are registering an increasing trend but is yet to cross the highest toll seen during India's first wave last year. "However, the previous surge's highest point was 1114 and presently we have reported 879 deaths,"

Bhushan was quoted as saying by news agency ANI. India still has more than 1.67 crore Covid-19 vaccine doses still available with states and UTs, the Centre said on Tuesday, underlining that the problem is not of vaccine shortage but of better planning. Bhushan said so far states and UTs have received 13,10,90,370 vaccine doses, out of which the total con-

sumption, including wastage, has been 11,43,69,677. "As per 11 am data, unutilised doses available with states and union territories for administration is 1,67,20,693. From now till April end, 2,01,22,960 doses are in supply pipeline to states and UTs," he said. Providing the data from states where the infection is showing rapid growth despite low test-

ing through RTPCR, the health secretary said that there the ministry has a reason to believe that if RT-PCR tests proportion goes up, then positivity may show a corresponding increase. "In Maharashtra, you'll find that average daily cases, week on week, have grown significantly and reached a level of 57,000 plus. Tests per million are also growing but not keeping pace with the growth of average daily cases. If you look at the share of RT-PCR tests, it's progressively coming down," he said. Bhushan said that the weekly positivity rate in Chattisgarh is also increasing from one and a half percent, it has increased to 27.9 per cent, and added that this is another cause for concern.

## Lockdown To Be Announced In Maharashtra

Mumbai, Apr 13: In Maharashtra, the decision to lockdown can be taken in view of the unbridled speed of the second wave of Coronavirus (Second Wave Of Covid-19). According to the news received from sources on News 18, a lockdown or a 21-day shutdown can be decided from April 15. It is believed that Uddhav Government can announce this decision to-

this regard, Chief Minister Uddhav Thackeray had a meeting with the task force on Sunday. On the lockdown of Maharashtra, Minister Aslam Sheikh said on Monday that the government can make a big decision in the next 2-3 days. The only way to break this chain is for the government to bring a situation like a lockdown. Let all the members involved in the

related to Corona Earlier, CM Uddhav Thackeray held an important meeting on the corona-related arrangements. There was discussion about increasing oxygen capacity, setting up liquid oxygen, electric crematorium. The state government is also planning to ban the general public from using the Mumbai local train services to prevent the spread of the virus. Maharashtra minister



night. According to Minister Aslam Sheikh, the lockdown will not be imposed immediately. At the same time, he has told that in view of the speed of Corona, the number of beds is being increased in hospitals. In

task force meeting were ready for the lockdown, although there were many differences regarding how long this lockdown will take place. CM Uddhav has held an important meeting on the situation re-

Vijay Vadettiwar reportedly said that the government could reduce the time allotted for traveling on Mumbai local trains, or the government could allow ordinary commuters to travel in suburban local trains

## Kerala Higher Education Minister Resigns From His Post

Kerala, Apr 13: Kerala Higher Education Minister KT Jaleel (KT Jaleel) resigned from the P Vijayan cabinet on Tuesday. A few days earlier, the state Lokayukta had said that Jaleel has 'misused his

position as a public servant to benefit one of his relatives. Sources in the Chief Minister's Office said that Jaleel has sent the resignation to the Chief Minister and the resignation letter has been sent to the Governor.

The minister has confirmed the developments on Facebook. A division bench of Lokayukta submitted its report against Jaleel to the Chief Minister on Friday and said that the minister should not continue in office.

The bench had said that allegations of misuse of power, benefits, and nepotism are proved against the minister. The Lokayukta's decision comes on a complaint made in 2018 by the leader of the Mus-

lim Youth League, alleging that the rules have been ignored in appointing Adil, the brother of Jaleel's kin, as the general manager of the Kerala State Minorities Development Finance Corporation.

## CM Naveen Patnaik urges women to vote for BJD in large numbers



(A.O. Bureau) Bhubaneswar, Apr 13: Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik on Monday made a special appeal to women to come out in large numbers to vote for BJD candidate Rudra Pratap Maharathy in the by-poll to the Pipili Assembly constituency scheduled on April 17. Campaigning for the party candidate virtually, the Chief Minister said that he would have been very happy to personally

visit Pipili during the by-poll. "But I could not visit due to the Covid-19 pandemic. You would have come out in large numbers had I visited because of the love you have for me. This would not have been proper during the pandemic," he said and added that he will visit Pipili after the pandemic is over. Assuring the people that he will personally look after the development of Pipili and Delang areas,

Naveen thanked the people of the constituency for always supporting the BJD. "We are also observing the 23rd death anniversary of Biju Babu on April 17 who will always remain an inspiration for us," he said. The Chief Minister in his speech said, "be it the farmers' issue or the welfare of the poor, Odisha has made a mark for itself at the national level. The mothers of Odisha are leading

several projects under Mission Shakti. This is a major achievement in the direction of women empowerment which the party has always stood for." He called upon people to vote for conch symbol of BJD to make the party candidate victorious. The Chief Minister also requested the people to be very careful about coronavirus and said the second wave of Covid-19 has hit the State. "We all must

ensure to put on masks while moving out of homes," he said. The ruling BJD on Monday demanded exemplary action against those involved in the attack on the vehicle of Labour Minister Sushant Singh on Sunday night at Delang while he was going to meet some party workers. A delegation of BJD leaders led by Rajya Sabha member Sasmit Patra submitted a memorandum to Chief Electoral Officer (CEO) SK Lohani protesting the attack on the minister and two workers by BJP activists in Delang block of Pipili constituency. Patra told mediapersons that BJP workers had launched a violent attack on the minister and damaged the front and rear windshields of his car on Sunday. Later, they attacked two party workers, he added.

## Right Understanding Rooted In Spiritualism Key To Happiness: Rajasekhar

(A.O. Bureau)

Bhubaneswar, Apr 13: What do you need to do to get lasting happiness? It being the collective desire of humanity, people have been pursuing happiness in their own ways, but such bliss could be achieved through three entwined routes --- professional, emotional and spiritual, Mr. C.Rajasekhar, Officer-on-Special Duty (States) in the Ministry of External Affairs, has said. "A right understanding rooted in spiritualism alone can put one at ease and in harmony with others," Mr. Rajasekhar said while delivering the fifth SOA Fortnightly Academic Lecture (SOAFL) virtually on Saturday. Pointing out that unless the basic human requisites of 'roti, kapda and makaan' were met human beings would continue to have a sub-human existence, he said it would be 'both irrelevant and criminal to talk of happiness' in such a situation. While endeavouring to ensure fulfillment of these basic necessities, man aspired for professional excellence and satisfaction in what he did. Sharing his experience during his tenure in the Indian Embassy in Tokyo, Mr. Rajasekhar said it was amazing to see that after being devastated during the World War II, Japan rose to be in a position to organize the Olympics less than two decades after the nuclear bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. The civic sense of the Japanese and their sense of pride in putting their

nation first was exemplary, he said while narrating an incident when a taxi driver decided to waive the fare at his own cost to uphold the image of his country as the passenger, a foreigner, did not have an idea of the exact location of his destination. There was also an emotional angle to this pursuit as relationship with fellow human beings was of great importance, Mr. Rajasekhar said. Citing the example of the much discussed race between a hare and a tortoise, he said instead of competition the focus should be on nurturing a spirit of co-operation to build each other up. "We can allow the weakness of someone to ride the strength of another to successfully complete the race of life," he said. Mr. Rajasekhar, who also served as India's Ambassador to Cuba and as Director General of Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR), said in spite of fulfillment in other areas, lack of spiritual experience would still leave a void in life. SOA Vice-Chancellor Prof. Ashok Kumar Mahapatra, faculty members and students attended the virtual lecture while Prof. Nachieketa K. Sharma, Director, University Outreach Programs, moderated the session conducted under the auspices of the SOA NSS Bureau and SOA Wellness Center. Prof. Mahapatra distributed certificates of appreciation to NSS volunteers and Program Officers for attending the Pre-Republic Day Camp after the meeting.

## DGP takes stock of security arrangements ahead of bypoll



(A.O. Bureau) Bhubaneswar, Apr 13: Puri police also intensified measures in Pipili Assembly constituency to maintain law and order ahead of the bypoll. Amid incidents of pre-poll violence in Pipili, DGP Abhay on Monday reviewed the secu-

city arrangements for the by-election scheduled on April 17. About 29 platoons of Odisha Special Armed Police including one company of Odisha Swift Action Force, three companies of Central Armed Police Forces, two ASPs and three DSPs have

been deployed in Pipili to ensure smooth conduct of the bypoll. During the meeting, Abhay directed the DIG Central Range Jai Narayan Pankaj and Puri SP Kanwar Vishal Singh to ensure foolproof security arrangement and initiate strong action against anti-socials and those responsible for disturbing peace in the area. Puri police also intensified measures in Pipili Assembly constituency to maintain law and order ahead of the bypoll. About 889 persons have been bound down under Section 107 CrPC and 51 under Section 110 CrPC.

## Behind Hyder's escape is a murky nexus, from prison to health officials

(A.O. Bureau)

Cuttack, Apr 13: Gangster SK Hyder planned his escape from SCB Medical College and Hospital, Cuttack and seemed to have received all the support he needed from the prison and health officials. As an embarrassed Odisha Police mounted a massive manhunt for the criminal - there is a strong rumour that he may have escaped to Bangladesh via West Bengal routes - the role of the Prison Directorate and SCB authorities has got murkier by the day. How did he get admission in SCB medical college on March 23? Superintendent Prof Lucy Das is oblivious of admission, treatment and the special facilities provided to the gangster. Hyder was admitted to Surgery department for a procedure which can be conducted at any government health facility but he was brought to Cuttack all the way from Sambalpur. Not just once. He came to SCB MCH thrice between January and March. His first visit this year was on

January 19 and second on February 23. The third visit was on March 23 when he sought treatment for his eyes (ophthalmology), kidney (nephrology) and general surgery. The big question is who referred him to SCB MCH because VIMSAR authorities deny doing it. "Hyder was brought to VIMSAR in December last year. He had visited to consult about his eye problem which was triggered due to high blood sugar. He was suggested but not referred to Cuttack," hospital's superintendent Lal Mohan Nayak told TNIE. Last year in February, the gangster had visited VIMSAR to consult for plastic surgery as he had sustained a bullet injury in the past. VIMSAR officials had back then also 'suggested' him to visit SCB to receive advanced treatment. He then visited SCB's department of Cardiothoracic and Vascular Surgery in April when the nation was under lockdown. Who sanctioned his visits? Prison authorities are

mum but they are the ones who sought escort from Sambalpur Police and ferried him several times to Cuttack, including his last visit in March which he ended by escaping. There is not much information available about what his exact illness was but apparently, he was to undergo a hydrocele surgery. Curiously, he was stated to be on a medication of antacid and painkillers and enjoyed the hospitality of his kin in the air-conditioned cabin. It was apparently arranged on the recommendation of an associate professor of the department whereas senior faculty members of Urology department used to visit him for check-up. After he escaped, a nurse noticed and raised the alarm. Meanwhile, Commissionerate Police has seized Hyder's bed-head ticket and started a probe into several questions which are being raised now. "It is baffling how the gangster was admitted to the hospital while authorities are feigning ignorance about admission and treatment.



We are also looking into the matter to ascertain involvement of hospital staff and all those who were in the nexus with the gangster," said a senior police officer on condition of anonymity. Meanwhile, the dreaded gangster's aide Yakub Khan who used to bring him biryani surrendered before Chauhaganj police. Yakub has criminal record and worked as an aide for Hyder for long. He is said to have visited Hyder several times. The 26-year-

old suspended constable Md Mousim who was on duty at the hospital filed an FIR in Mangalabag police station alleging that family members and relatives of Hyder including his son, brother, nephews, brother-in-law and son-in-law were visiting him frequently. At about 4.30 pm on Saturday, the gangster's family members and relatives sprayed some liquid on him leaving him unconscious.

## Three More Special Trains Through Ecor Jurisdiction

(A.O. Bureau) Bhubaneswar, Apr 13: Railways have decided to run two pair of long distance special trains and one pair of special passenger train in East Coast Railway jurisdiction as per the following\_

2021 and from Purulia will leave at 1000hrs on every Friday & Mondays w.e.f. 7th May, 2021 till further advice. Villupuram - Kharagpur - Villupuram Weekly Special Super Fast: 0 6 1 7 8 / 0 6 1 7 7 Villupuram-Kharagpur-Villupuram Special from

have One AC-2 Tier, One AC-3 Tier, Seven Sleeper Class, Five Second Class Seating and Two Guard cum Luggage Vans in their composition having stoppages at Visakhapatnam, Vizianagaram, Brahmapur, Khurda Road, Bhubaneswar, Cuttack & Jajpur Keonjhar Road in ECoR jurisdiction between Villupuram and Purulia/Kharagpur from both the directions. Bilaspur - Titilagarh - Bilaspur Special Passenger: 08264/08263 Bilaspur-Titilagarh-Bilaspur Passenger Special from Bilaspur is leaving at 0650hrs w.e.f. 10th April, 2021 and from Titilagarh is leaving at 0930hrs w.e.f. 11th April, 2021 till further advice.



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## Odisha Cop Without Mask Fined Rs 2000

(A.O. Bureau)

Puri, Apr 13: All are equal in the eyes of law. Proving this, the Puri police today imposed a fine of Rs 2,000 on an on-duty traffic constable posted in the pilgrim town for violating COVID-19 guidelines by not wearing face mask. Puri SP Samarth Verma took to his Twitter handle and shared



the news today. "We have fined our own Traffic constable of Rs 2000 for not wearing

mask. And he, as a responsible citizen has paid," the SP tweeted. In his post, the SP cau-

tioned the public to always wear mask, else pay the penalty. On April 9, Odisha Government doubled the fine amount for violation of mask-wearing norm. Accordingly, violators will have to pay Rs 2,000 for first two violations and Rs 5,000 for subsequent offences. The same day, Chief Minister Naveen

Patnaik, in a video message addressing the people of the state, initiated 14-day 'Mask Abhiyaan' and urged them to wear mask properly for the said number of days in order to make it a habit. Earlier, the fine amount was Rs 1,000 for first two violations and Rs 5,000 for subsequent offences.

## EDITORIAL

## With law for healthcare workers, reforms continue unabated

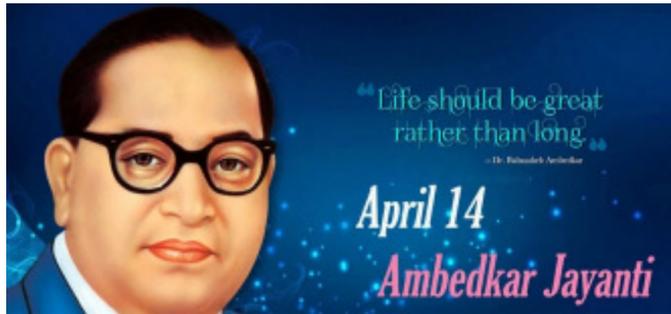
The Act makes a significant shift from the doctor-led model to a more care-accessible and team-based model. It will transform the healthcare scenario. The National Commission for Allied and Healthcare Professions Bill, 2020 (NCAHP Act) has been passed by Parliament after a long and anxious wait, particularly by the health professionals. The Act provides for regulation and maintenance of standards of education and services by allied and healthcare professionals, assessment of institutions, maintenance of a Central Register and State Register and creation of a system to improve access, research and development. Union Minister for Health and Family Welfare Harsh Vardhan explained the reasons and objects of the Bill: "I would say that most of you must have paid a visit to a hospital at some point of time in your life and I wish not, but you might have had to. Please recall those days and remember the people who took care of you and who brought you out of your illness. You may remember the name of the doctor. You may remember the name of the hospital. But do you also remember the name of the persons who took your blood samples, gave you physiotherapy, took your X-ray, advised you on what you should eat, checked your eyesight, assisted your doctor or surgeon, looked into microscopes and bid you a farewell with a smile. Who are these people?" They are varied health professionals — the lab technicians, physiotherapists, radiographers, dieticians, record keepers, optometrists, X-ray technicians, and many more, who are a critical part of the healthcare system and the foundation of the pyramid of the entire healthcare system. According to studies, the role of doctors, undoubtedly critical, varies between 25 to 50 per cent in the entire healthcare chain. A wag said "doctor is next to God, nurse is next to the doctor and the pharmacist is closest to the patient", but there are many others who are as vital and integral to this chain. In fact, these professionals are the bedrock of the complex healthcare system. After enacting the National Medical Commission Bill, 2019 — which was fiercely contested by a large body of medical practitioners, another transformative piece of legislation, the NCAHP Act, has been enacted which covers a wide range of healthcare professions which were unrecognised or unregulated to date. The Act is a paradigm shift in healthcare delivery as it recognises the specialised skills and contributions of more than 56 types of the allied and healthcare professionals. The nation, nay the world, has witnessed the invaluable contribution of these professionals during COVID-19 as the frontline health workers who risked their lives every day fighting the pandemic. The Act would regulate and leverage the qualified allied and healthcare workforce and ensure high-quality multidisciplinary care in line with the vision of the universal health coverage moving towards a more care-accessible and team-based model. The Act would reform and regulate this entire sector in order to give these professionals their due, increase their employment opportunities and, more importantly, enhance their dignity by recognising their true worth, within the country and globally. The Act envisages the establishment of a Central statutory body as the National Commission for Allied and Healthcare Professions. The commission will frame policies and standards, regulate professional conduct and prescribe qualifications for all these professions. A National Allied and Healthcare Advisory Council to advise the national commission with representation from all the States is provided under the Act to enable adequate representation from all the States and Union Territories. Further, each State will have a separate State Council with four autonomous Boards pertaining to undergraduate education, post-graduate education, assessment, rating, ethics and registration. While doctors, nurses, dentists and pharmacists in India are regulated through their respective regulatory bodies, the allied and healthcare professions are still unstructured, and unregulated. Globally, most of the countries have a regulatory framework for standardised education and training. But in India, there was an absence of a regulatory framework and lack of standardised education curriculum as well as training for these allied and healthcare professionals, a void now removed. Also, the Act makes a significant shift from the doctor-led model to a more care-accessible and team-based model. The NCAHP Act, 2020, is a landmark legislation which will go down in the history of healthcare revolution in India. It will transform the healthcare scenario and make a paradigm shift in the ministration of the entire healthcare system and make it efficacious. Apparently, India is on the course of wholesale health sector reforms.



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The mission of Ambedkar's life was the establishment of human dignity, development of self-respect among the downtrodden classes and attainment of self-salvation. In a word, it was man-making! Ambedkar was a great teacher who taught the common man to have belief in his potential power, to rouse it up, to develop it, and to stand on his own feet. Man should not think that he was a mere nobody, that he was good for nothing and that he was a helpless log. His advice to the down-trodden classes, and especially to young men, was exemplary. He asked them to rely on their self, on their own efforts, to trust and exercise their own intelligence and to seek refuge in reason. To him nothing was more sacred than learning. Nature made none a slave. No man was born a dullard. He recalled to students the glorious traditions and untiring industry, high aims and high sense of public life of Ranade, Tilak and Gokhale. He related to his people the story from the Greek mythology of the Godless Demeter who tried to develop superman's power in a child by keeping it on fire every day. His message to his people was that they should strive endlessly, sacrifice the present pleasures for a great future and should go through the ordeal of fire and sacrifice till they attained their goal. "You must have a firm belief in the sacredness of your goal. Noble is your aim and sublime and glorious is your mission. Blessed are those who are awakened to their duty to those among whom they are born. Glory to those who devote their time, talents and their all to the annihilation of slavery. Glory to those who would keep on their struggle for the liberation of the enslaved in spite of heavy odds, carping humiliations, storms and dangers till the down-trodden secure their human

rights". Ambedkar, therefore, did not like that his hungry men should envelop themselves in the coils of Bhakti, the cult of devotion, the opium of helplessness. He asked the common man not to resign himself to his fate and accept his positions as a divine dispensation. The ignorant people believed that their fate was pre-appointed and irretrievable. Ambedkar wanted to root out this disease from their minds. Like Vivekananda, he told them that it was sentimental nonsense which made them important. For Bhakti made their nerves soft, delicate and yielding. Ambedkar tried to divert the minds of the down-trodden from the thought of life after death to their present life of degradation.



tion. He wanted them to enjoy material amenities and to bring themselves up to the cultural level of the majority. This was an antidote to the demoralized and dehumanized minds of the scheduled castes people who had been made to accept their position as a divine dispensation. At the same time, to the more advanced men and societies he softly warned that material comfort is by no means the solvent of all human ills. Man does not live by bread alone. He is a cultural being. That is why thinking people regarded the life of Ambedkar, who was one of the greatest protestant Hindu leaders of modern India, as a phase in the renaissance of Hinduism and in the reorganization of Hindu social order. The first renaissance of Hinduism was inaugurated by the Upanishads with their stream of new thoughts when the gods, priests and sacrifices receded into the background,

With the resurgence of orthodox priests and ideas of sacrifices, decadence set in again with added vigour. At this time the Buddha came forward to rejuvenate and recognize the social and religious systems of the Hindus. He attacked the priestcraft, the institution of sacrifice and stood for the abolition of the ramifications in society. With the rise of Sankaracharya Hinduism style absorbed Buddhist principles, but tightened its hold on the caste system and karmakand. Then came another revival with the spiritual teachings of Ramanuja, Chakradhar, Kabir, Ramananda, Nanak, Chaitanya, Namdeo and other saint poets of Maharashtra. The fourth phase began with the rise of Ram

considered greater than that of most of the modern Hindu Leaders like Ram Mohan Roy, Dayananda and Vivekananda; for, unlike them, he was contributed to the constitutional and political thought and development of this country. Ambedkar wanted reorganization of the Hindu social order on the basis of liberty, equality and fraternity. In other words, on the basis of social equality and democracy. He demanded liberation of Hindu society from casteism and priestcraft. If the Hindus acted up to his principals, they would be a free people a living, movable race, a moving society. According to his social philosophy, every Hindu must have the liberty to associate in all legitimate ways with his co-religionists. The Hindus must build a common Social Code. If they had the freedom to marry among themselves, to dine together, to work together in all spheres of life, they would become a united people, and would have ability to grow and to assimilate new members in their fold. Ambedkar was for one national language, the Hindi: one common script, the Nagari. He expected all classes to do their own thinking. It was not good for them to leave thinking to a certain section of the society which called itself the custodian knowledge. They should develop the ability to think over the problems which affected their destiny, religion and country. Thus his social philosophy appealed to the Hindus to liberate Hinduism and Solidify Hindu Society, and to revitalize the Hindu thought and abolish the caste system and the touch-me-not-ism. Indeed his emphasis on the abolition of the caste system was so great that like Karl Marx, who sent the expression class struggle resounding throughout the world, Ambedkar sent the expression caste system reverberating throughout the world. It is, therefore clear that his was the cause of Hindu Society, the cause of the country, the cause of humanity. The service rendered to the scheduled Caste Hindus was service rendered to the cause the poorest of the poor in the world.

## Babasaheb's Vision of a Casteless Society India

The Indian Constitution and Dr. B R Ambedkar are synonymous and hence, go hand in hand as every citizen of the country conversant with the supreme Rule Book of the land unhesitatingly attributes the epithet of 'Architect of the Constitution' to this legendary patriot who had dreamt India of becoming not only politically independent, but economically stable and socially coherent. The nation celebrates today the 130th birth anniversary of a maverick social reformer whose illustrious career transcends Indian boundaries. Born as Bhiva Ramji Sakpal to a Dalit family (Mahar caste) and being the 14th child of proud parents Ramji Maloji Sakpal, an Army officer under the British regime, and Bhimabai Sakpal, Bhimrao Ramji Ambedkar and his siblings had to face stiff resistance in schools owing to being born in a Dalit family. It used to so happen that as a school going child Ambedkar and other untouchable children were not allowed to sit with the higher caste students, and were not given required attention or assistance by teachers. The worst part of it was that they were not allowed to sit inside the class. He was being asked to sit on a gunny sack which he had to take home with him on return from the school. When the Dalit students needed to drink water, someone from a higher caste was called every time to pour that water from a height as they were not allowed to touch either the water or the vessel that contained it. As a routine, the task was being usually performed for the young Ambedkar by the school peon, and if the peon by chance was not available, then he



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had to remain thirsty without water. Such social discrimination agitated the young Ambedkar so much so that he had vowed to bring in changes in the attitude of the people by whom the Dalits were being discriminated. Being an advocate and a protagonist of political rights and social freedom for Dalits, he, in 1956, converted himself to Buddhism, initiating mass conversions of Dalits. Bharat Ratna Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar was an educationist and a jurist par excellence. Amid adversities, he was determined to scale new heights while pursuing higher studies. This gave him ample opportunities to know the varied facets of an Indian society of his times. Although he was victimized in a very narrow societal edifice, he never gave up to call a spade a spade. This determination brought him laurels, but he did not rest on it, rather kept his zealot pursuits moving as he believed that changes in

the societal framework must do better for the society as a whole. Immediately after independence, when the country needed a constitution, the ground work had already started much earlier when in 1946, the Drafting Committee began its work under the Chairmanship of Dr. Ambedkar whose insights into the totality of the world's longest constitution were recognized by comity of nations. It is through the pages of the Rule Book that Dr. Ambedkar had tried to inculcate an egalitarian concept that would make feel all citizens that they are proud of their motherland. To this extent, he believed major discriminatory features of casteism are hierarchy, lack of social efficiency, social immobility, disruptive tendencies, endogamy and anti-social spirit. He is quoted as saying: Caste is the monster that crosses your path; you can't have political freedom, you can't have economic

freedom unless you kill this monster. He, in his lifetime felt from a close distance the pinch of these features of a monolith Indian society, and the spirit in him ignited to contribute more for the upliftment of the down-trodden for which he had to take bold steps mobilizing the Dalits convert into Buddhism. He believed that the gap between different classes was important to equalize, otherwise it will be very difficult to maintain the unity of the country. At the same time, he emphasized on religious, gender and caste equality. A votary of social justice and social democracy, Babasaheb could very well foresee dominance of the upper caste on the down-trodden so far as jobs in the government were concerned. Therefore, he introduced the reservation system to create a social balance amongst the classes. The system basically aimed at ameliorating the conditions of the backward masses providing them an opportunity to come into the mainstream. After a gap of long seventy one years of the country becoming a Republic, it remains to be evaluated how the rulers of the independent India have fulfilled the dreams of the makers of the Constitution, especially those of Dr. Ambedkar who cherished all his citizens enjoyed freedom and opportunities at equal footing. That could be the best tribute to a great son of the country whose concept of foundation of a humane society stood on pillars of liberty, equality and fraternity that form parts of the Preamble to the Constitution of the largest democracy of the world. The saga of this freedom fighter would continue to inspire all Indians in days to come.

## Manasa Ranjan Rout joins as Director(Operations) of OPGC Ltd.

(A.O. Bureau) IB Thermal, Apr 13: Shri Manasa Ranjan Rout, has joined as Director(Operations) of Odisha Power Generation Corporation Ltd. Shri Rout has an illustrious career over a period of 33 years in power plant operations and maintenance. Before joining OPGC as Director (Operations), he was positioned as Joint President at Adani Power Maharashtra Ltd. in which he led the operation and maintenance of 5 X 660MW super critical units located at Tiroda near Nagpur, Maharashtra. Before being elevated

as the Joint President, Shri Rout proved his mettle in the field by successfully managing operations of 12410 MW Thermal Power Generation of Adani Power Limited at 6 locations across India in 5 states while heading the operations and Technical services as Senior Vice President-Operations & Technical Services. He joined Adani Power as General Manager (Operations) leading all aspects of India's largest Single location coal based plant (4 X 330 MW + 5 X 660 MW) located at Mundra. Shri Rout is credited with



many significant contributions during his 10 years long stint in Adani Power which helped the organization achieve highest level of operational excellence. Shri Rout is a graduate in Mechanical Engineering from UCE (now

VSSUT), Burla (1986 Batch) and M.Tech in Quality, Reliability and Operations Research from Indian Statistical Institute, Kolkata. His 33 years of remarkable career so far includes a tenure of 14 years in OPGC- IB Thermal

Power Station itself. He started his journey in power plant operations from the erstwhile Talcher Thermal Power Station (TTPS) in 1987 as Assistant Manager. After a five year stint at TTPS he joined OPGC at IB Thermal Power Station in 1993 and served for 14 long years before moving on to Vedanta, BALCO as A.G.M. (Operation & Maintenance). He was heading the operations of 9 X 135 MW units at Vedanta Aluminium Ltd. located at Jharsuguda when he moved on to join Adani Power Limited.

## 'Mo school' campaign at Nishamani High School

(A.O. Bureau) Bargarh, 13.09: A meeting was held at Nishamani High School to mark my school campaign. At the event, prizes were awarded to the school's meritorious students. The event, chaired by Headmistress Divyakanti Voy, was moderated by teacher Rosalyn Mishra. Jayaprakash Shatapathi, a former student of the school and an internationally accredited coach, Tereskova Das, a retired science teacher, Sujata Bagh, the school's chairman, Manohar Sahu and

Santoshi Agrawal presented the awards to the students. The award was presented to the school's 10th class ascetic Rath, Meenati Kumhar, Mohit Nag, Bishwamitra Meher and Abhishek Chattar. Teachers Sangeeta Padhi, Prashanti Panda, Mamata Panda, Suniti Bagh, Manisha Sahu and Nirupama Ray, among others, assisted in the management of the program. Mr. Shatapathi announced that in the future, various events will be held for the alumni of the school. Finally Rosalyn Mishra offered thanks.



## Gop SBI branch sealed after manager tests positive for Covid-19



(A.O. Bureau) Gop, Apr 13: The Gop branch of State Bank of India (SBI) here was sealed after its manager

tested positive for Covid-19, informed the district administration today. As many as eight staff members who came in con-

tact of the manager have undergone Antigen testing and the entire office was sanitised. The manager had tested for Covid-19 after developing some symptoms and his report came positive today. Some of the customers who also came in contact of the manager were also asked to test themselves.

## Odisha Chief Secretary And 5T Secretary Review Developmental Works In Balasore District

(A.O. Bureau) Balasore, Apr 13: In a major development, Odisha chief secretary Suresh Mahapatra, 5T secretary VK Pandian and Works department secretary Krishan Kumar have reviewed various developmental works and Coronavirus situation in Balasore district.



Addressing to the media, Chief secretary Suresh Mahapatra said that they made an assessment of the basic requirements for the all-around development of the city. They also held a meeting at the district headquarters hospital to review the Covid-19 situation in the district.

## Rs 57,000 Fake Currency Notes Seized From Railways Employee In Odisha

(A.O. Bureau) Jharsuguda, Apr 13: The Brajrajnagar police have arrested a Railways employee and seized fake currency notes of Rs 57,000 face value from his possession. The accused has been identified as Raman Kumar Rajak (32), a resident of Brajrajnagar town and posted at Brajrajnagar railway station. He hails



from Shahdol in Madhya Pradesh.

Acting on a tip-off regarding the coun-

terfeit currency notes, a police team

raided his rented house last night. The cops seized a bag containing 114 fake notes in denomination of Rs 500. The accused said he got the notes from one of his relatives residing in Durg after paying Rs 20,000. He has been forwarded to court. Further investigation by police was underway to ascertain the involvement of others in the racket.

## BPUT's Odd Semester Exams Rescheduled



(A.O. Bureau) Rourkela, Apr 13: The Biju Patnaik University of Technology (BPUT) today rescheduled the odd semester examinations of both regular and back for 2020-21 (second phase) sessions. In a notification, the University said the odd semester exam will be held on online mode. The exams will begin from May 7, 2021 and the

detailed schedule will be notified in due course, the BPUT stated. The University directed affiliated colleges to upload the photograph, e-mail ID and mobile number of the registered students in the web portal, www.bputevaluation.com from April 15, 2021. The web portal will remain open till 5 PM on April 19, 2021, the notification added.

## COVID 2nd Wave: Public Places Closed In Odisha's Ganjam

(A.O. Bureau) Berhampur, Apr 25: In view of the second wave of COVID-19 in Odisha, the Ganjam administration today decided to close all public places in the district

from April 14 to 21. This apart, all religious institutions in the district will also remain closed during the period. "It is hereby ordered that all religious institutions of Ganjam district are closed

for public for next seven days from 14.04.2021 to 21.04.2021. During this time, all religious places will be sanitized and Sevayats/ Priests will ensure only daily rituals in religious places," an

order of the District Emergency Operation Centre said. "All public places like parks, grounds, sea beach and lake shall be closed for 7 (seven) days with effect from 14-04-

2021 to 21-04-2021 for maintenance and sanitization purposes," the order said. Celebration of Meru Jatra and Pana Sankranti shall not be held publicly, it added.

## Brown Sugar worth Rs 40 lakh seized in Mayurbhanj, one arrested



(A.O. Bureau) Baripada, Apr 13: The Town police has seized brown sugar weighing 417 grams worth Rs 40 lakh and arrested one person in this connec-

tion today. The accused has been identified as Govind Pal, son of Baidyanath Pal of the area. Acting on a tip-off, a team of police officials raided

Gobind's house and found 417 grams of brown sugar from his possession. They seized the contraband and arrested the accused subsequently. "We suspect that an inter-state racket is involvement in the smuggling of the contraband and further investigation is underway to nab the other members of the racket," said Birendra Kumar Senapati, IIC Town police station.

## Half burnt body of woman recovered from river bed in Balasore

(A.O. Bureau) Jaleswar, Apr 13: The residents of Chakahari village found a partially charred body of a woman from Subarnarekha River bed here in Balasore district today. The deceased has been identified as Kaveri Das, wife of Purna Chandra Das, both residents of the same village. According to sources, Purna Chandra was allegedly having an ex-



tramarital affair over which a dispute had

developed between the couple. They used to

engage in severe arguments in this regard fre-

quently. However, the locals spotted a half-burnt body lying on the river bed this morning and they identified the deceased as they went near to the body. On the other hand, the family members of the deceased alleged that Purna Chandra has killed Kaveri. Later, the police reached the spot and initiated a probe into the matter after sending the body for post-mortem.

## Girl student locked in school, found in unconscious condition

(A.O. Bureau) Sanakhemundi, Apr 13: Tension ran high at Patapur area in Ganjam district on Tuesday after a class X student of Sanakhemundi-

Patapur Girl's High School was found locked up in a classroom by her teacher. The student was recovered in an unconscious condition. The headmaster ignored the

allegations while the student was deliberately locked by the teacher. According to sources, the class X student had gone to school but didn't return home. The family

members searched for her at every possible place but couldn't find her. Later they found her at school campus in an unconscious condition. The family members and lo-

cals later reported to Patapur police. On being informed, the police officials reached the spot and recovered the student by opening the lock. She was shifted to Adapada

hospital. As per the allegation lodged by the student, she went to washroom. When she returned, she found that the school gate was locked. Later, she be-

came unconscious. She alleged that the headmaster and teachers deliberately locked her. On the other hand, headmaster Dinabandhu Behera refuted

the allegation and said there was no one in the area while locking the gate. School president said that it was a conspiracy to defame the school.

## Brad Pitt, Bong Joon Ho, Halle Berry and more part of ensemble cast of presenters at Oscars 2021



Los Angeles, Apr 13: Hollywood stars Brad Pitt, Halle Berry, Harrison Ford, Reese Witherspoon and last year's history maker, "Parasite" director Bong Joon Ho, will be presenting at the 93rd Academy Awards. Show producers Jesse Collins, Stacey Sher and Steven Soderbergh unveiled the "stellar" cast of stars to present at the upcoming ceremony in a press release shared on the official Oscars website. Marvel star

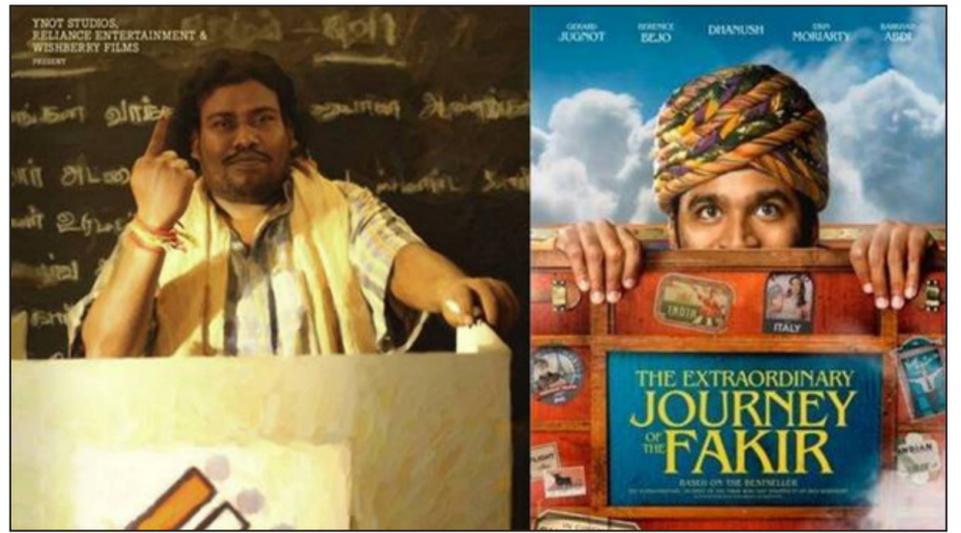
Don Cheadle, veteran actor Bryan Cranston, Laura Dern, Regina King, Marlee Matlin, Rita Moreno, last year's best actor winner, "Joker" star, Joaquin Phoenix, Renee Zellweger and Zendaya are also part of the first batch of presenters announced by the producers. "In keeping with our awards-show-as-a-movie approach, we've assembled a truly stellar cast of stars. There's so much wattage here, sunglasses may be re-

quired," Collins, Sher and Soderbergh said in a joint statement. Additional presenter announcements are expected in the coming days. The Oscars 2021 will be held on Sunday, April 25, 2021, at Union Station Los Angeles and the Dolby Theatre at Hollywood & Highland Center in Hollywood. In the US, the ceremony will be televised live on ABC. The awards night will also be televised live in more than 225 countries and territories worldwide.

## 5 latest movies you can stream this Tamil New Year

Bengaluru, Apr 13: New Tamil films you can stream now. If you are worried that you cannot watch a new movie in theatres on Tamil New Year as the country is reeling under the second wave of Covid-19 infections, don't worry. We have got you covered. Thanks to the advent of OTT platforms in India, we never have to worry about what to watch next.

**Mandela:** Written and directed by Madonne Ashwin, this film is a timely political satire that exposes the flaws in our democratic structures. The film stars Yogi Babu as a low-caste barber in a deeply divided village. His life takes a dramatic turn after he becomes an eligible voter. The film also stars Sheela



Rajkumar, Sangili Murugan and G. M. Sundar in supporting roles. **Mandela** is streaming on Netflix. **Anbirkiniyal:** Directed by Gokul, it is the official remake of the Malayalam hit Helen.

When the film released in theatres earlier in March, it garnered a lot of acclaim from the critics and the audience alike. The film stars Keerthi Pandian and Arun Pandian in the lead roles. **Anbirkiniyal** is streaming on Amazon Prime Video.

**Pakkir:** It is the Tamil dubbed version of the Hollywood film *The Extraordinary Journey of the Fakir*. Directed by Ken Scott, the film is based on the novel by Romain Puertolas titled *The Extraordinary Journey of the Fakir* Who

Got Trapped in an Ikea Wardrobe. It stars Dhanush in that titular role, along with other well-known international actors. **Pakkiri** is streaming on Amazon Prime Video.

**Sangathalaivan:** Written and directed by Manimaran of Udhayam NH4, *Sangathalaivan* is produced by National Award-winning filmmaker Vetrimaaran. The film revolves around a man who begins to embrace communist ideology in a capitalist society. The film stars

**Samuthirakani**, Karunas, Ramya Subramanian and others. It is streaming on Disney plus Hotstar. **Teddy:** Director Shakti Soundar Rajan's latest film seems to have already caught the imagination of the young audience, thanks to the stuffed teddy bear toy, which can talk, walk and even deliver a few punchlines. The film has Arya, Sayyeshaa, Magizh Thirumeni, Sathish, Karunakaran in the star cast. **Teddy** is streaming on Disney plus Hotstar.

## Ekta Kapoor replies to those asking why she is releasing 2 LGBT love stories in 2 months: 'We do millions of opposite-sex love stories'



New Delhi, Apr 13: ALTBalaji head Ekta Kapoor recently took to Twitter to share her response to those who have been questioning her about the recent surge in LGBTQ themed shows on her streaming platform. The recent series *A Married Woman*, starring Monica Dogra and Riddhi Dogra, focussed on the same-gender love story between the two lead characters. The platform's next series *His Story*, starring

Satyadeep Misra and Mrinal Dutt, is also a gay love story. Ekta shared a thread of tweets that read, "This is for everyone who has been asking me why we are releasing two same gender love stories in a span of two months. To them, I would like to say that we do millions of opposite sex love stories & no one asks that. That's how marginalized and lowly represented stories of the LGBT community are." She fur-

ther wrote, "Acceptance for all kinds of love and ALTBalaji wish to showcase with our stories! Our recent launch, *#The Married Woman* has been loved and appreciated by all! We're humbled with the response of the audience and critics alike on our same gender love story!" "Here's hoping, our next show, *#HisStory* also makes a place in your hearts and helps

people out there who are scared To be true to themselves. We hope you will give as much love to Kunal & Preet as you gave to Astha & Peeplika. Staying closeted could be claustrophobic, in a world where accepting one's sexuality and gender choice is a constant struggle, lets normalize these love stories one step at a time. Thank you India for giving us this support and acceptance in this alternative storytelling

space. As our favorite dialogue from *#The Married Woman* goes- "Love is beyond everything. It's beyond sexuality. It's beyond conditioning. It's beyond gender" *#LoveIsLove*," she concluded in her series of tweets. His *Story* recently ran into controversy after the show's poster art was accused of being plagiarised from Netflix film *Loev*. ALTBalaji issued an apology for the same after filmmaker Vikramaditya Motwane expressed his disdain on the subject. *Loev* director Sudhanshu Saria also mentioned the same on social media. The production house apologised for the error and called it "an oversight on part of our design team." The posters of *A Married Woman* were also accused of plagiarism and were compared to posters of *Ammonite* and *Persona*.

## Aparna Balamurali to lead Praveen Prabharam's Ula



New Delhi, Apr 13: After Soorai Potru, Aparna Balamurali is returning to Malayalam for director Praveen Prabharam's second feature, titled *Ula*. Prithviraj released the first-look poster on his Facebook page. Speaking about the film, Praveen tells us that it's a "women-centric subject" that revolves around a beautiful, happy family impacted by one incident and how the protagonist

reacts to it. Praveen made his directorial debut with the Tovino Thomas-starrer *Kalki*. *Ula*, however, will see Praveen going in a different direction. "Ula is not going to be a mass film like *Kalki*. I'm excited to try out something different this time," he says. Operation Java cinematographer Faiz Siddik will crank the camera while Rakesh Cherumadam will work on the editing. The team is currently in talks to

sign a music director. Sujin Sujathan and Praveen Prabharam jointly wrote the script. Jishnu Laxman is producing the film under the banner of 16 Frames, a newly launched production company. The team is hoping to start shooting by June. Aparna Balamurali is the only confirmed cast member at the moment. The announcement of the remaining cast members is expected later.

## Study links early cannabis use to heart disease

New Delhi, Apr 13: In the first study to look at specific risk indicators for cardiovascular disease (CVD) in young, healthy cannabis users, researchers found subtle but potentially important changes in heart and artery function. Cigarette smoking is

known to affect cardiovascular health, causing changes to blood vessels and the heart. Less is known about the impact of smoking cannabis on long-term CVD risk, even as use of the substance grows in Canada and abroad. Cannabis is the

most commonly used recreational substance worldwide after alcohol. "Cannabis is really widely used as a recreational substance all around the world and is becoming increasingly so," said Christian Cheung, a PhD student in the Human Performance and Health

Research Lab, part of the Department of Human Health and Nutritional Sciences (HHNS). "Scientists haven't done that research with cannabis." The team studied 35 subjects aged 19 to 30, half of whom were cannabis users. For all subjects, they used ul-

trasound imaging to look at the heart and arteries. They measured arterial stiffness and arterial function, or the ability of arteries to appropriately expand with greater blood flow. All three measures are indicators of cardiovascular function and po-

tential disease risk. Arterial stiffness was greater in cannabis users than in non-users. The team measured how fast a pressure wave travelled down the artery; stiffer arteries transmit a wave more quickly. All three measures normally change in ciga-

rette smokers, with stiffer arteries and lower vascular and heart function. "We don't yet know why in cannabis users there's no difference in vascular function," he said. "We looked at young cannabis users. In the cigarette literature, heavy, long-term smokers

show reduced vascular function but that's not necessarily the case for younger smokers." "This is an exciting field of research given the ubiquity of cannabis use and the knowledge gap that exists, it's a field ripe with opportunity."

# Next time Samson will hit 10 yards further to win us the game: Sangakkara



Mumbai, Apr 13: Rajasthan Royals team director Kumar Sangakkara has backed Sanju Samson's decision to retain strike for the last ball during a stiff run-chase against Punjab Kings, saying it was encouraging to see him take responsibility. Skipper Samson hit 12 fours and seven sixes in a 63-ball innings but in the end failed to hit Arshdeep Singh's final ball for a six as RR lost to Punjab Kings by four runs in the IPL on Monday night. Needing five off last two balls, Samson had refused to

take a single, sending back Chris Morris on the penultimate ball. "Sanju backed himself to get the job done, and he nearly did, he was five or six yards short of hitting that last ball for a six and sometimes when you are hitting the ball well and you are in form, you believe you can do it," Sangakkara said in a virtual press conference. "It was encouraging to see Sanju do that, you can always talk about a miss single here or there but the crucial thing for me is players' belief and attitude, commitment into what they

know their strengths are. "Sanju took it upon himself to finish that game and he just fell a few yards short and that happens, but the next time I believe that he will hit that 10 yards further to win us the game." Asked how can Samson become more consistent, Sangakkara said: "I know when you start off with a bang, you always want to talk about consistency, but the real key is to understand it defers from game to game... It is about constructing an innings on a new day. "When he keeps those thought

processes simple, there is nothing else for him to worry in terms of technique or execution. I just want him to keep relaxed and focus on just the ball that he is facing." Sangakkara also lavished praise on the youngsters, especially pacer Chetan Sakariya and batsman Riyan Parag. "Riyan is a special player, as you would have seen. He has got amazing hand speed, great composure and (Mohammed) Shami with his experience took a risk bowling a bumper at that time, and Riyan just didn't get enough bat on it. "That is the nature of the game, that is risk and reward, and I love watching Riyan play with that freedom and when you play with freedom sometimes wickets do fall. "Riyan and Sanju were both having a wonderful partnership and got us into the game, with batters to come to try and finish it. I am really encouraged by the passion and commitment showed by all the younger players." Parag added 52 runs with Samson on way to his 11-ball 25, which was studded with three sixes, while Sakariya, making his debut, claimed three wickets and also took a superb catch. "He (Sakariya) was just brilliant, his skill

was on display but it was really wonderful to watch a bowler in such a high-scoring match, always smiling, always in the game, he took an amazing catch at short-fine leg. "He managed to come back and bowl with the new ball and then he bowled at the depth when everyone was taking punishment, so it speaks a lot about his skill, his attitude and it is great to have him in the side." It has been a tough phase for Sakariya whose younger brother committed suicide in January while he was playing at the T20 Syed Mushtaq Ali Trophy. Son of a tempo driver, Sakariya was among the wickets in the tournament and was picked up by Rajasthan for Rs 1.2 crore in the mini auction. "He is a simple guy, and he's had ups and downs in life and he's here to enjoy his cricket and our job is to support that and it's really good to see the control that he had and the change-ups and picked the moments to bowl them," Sangakkara said. "He'll get better and things will get tougher when batsmen get used to him and analysing a bit more, but I think Chetan is a young man who I think will have a very, very good future."

# KKR Faces Mumbai Challenge

New Delhi, Apr 13: The fifth match of IPL 2021 will be played between defending champions Mumbai Indians (MI) and Kolkata Knight Riders (KKR). Mumbai is looking for their first win in the tournament. At the same time, Kolkata will be eyeing the second victory. However, it will not be so easy. The figures are witness to this. Kolkata's team has been a laggard in front of Mumbai. Kolkata has won only one win in the last 12 matches

successful in winning 21 matches. Mumbai won both matches in the year 2020: In IPL 2020, the Mumbai team defeated Kolkata in both matches due to Corona. The first match of the tournament between the two was played on 23 September. Mumbai, batting first in this match, set a target of 195 runs for 5 wickets in 20 overs. In response, the Kolkata team could only score 146 runs in 9 overs in

ond match between the two teams was played on 16 October. In this match, the Kolkata team scored 148 for five wickets in 20 overs, batting first. Mumbai's team achieved this target in 16.5 overs. Quinton Deacock scored an unbeaten 78 off 44 balls in this match to give Mumbai a 19-ball eight-wicket win. Talking about the last five matches, Kolkata has won only one match. In such a situation, the



against Mumbai. At the same time, both teams have faced each other 27 times in IPL, and the Mumbai team has been

20 overs and lost the match by 49 runs. Kolkata got one win in the last 5 matches: In the year 2020, the sec-

challenge of Mumbai for Kolkata will not be easy. He is going to get a tough competition from Mumbai.

# 'How low is a legal sidearm delivery?': Riyan Parag's variation ball raises eyebrows

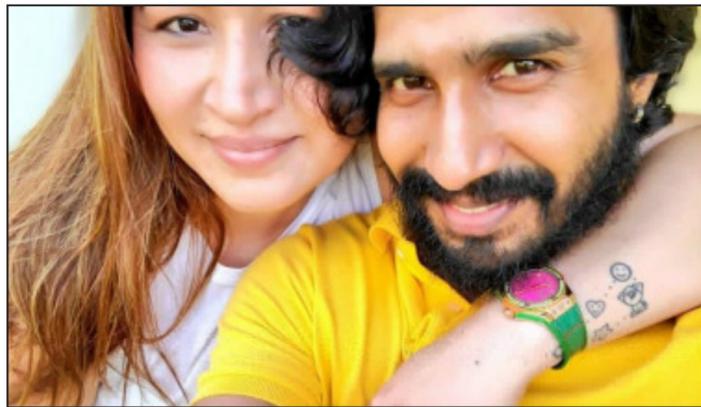
New Delhi, Apr 13: Riyan Parag bowled a highly interesting over - starting with off-spin, then bowling a very low sidearm delivery that made the commentary box explode in surprise, and then an off-spin delivery which claimed a wicket. Riyan Parag went as low as legally allowed in cricket to release a ball when bowling to Chris Gayle during the Punjab Kings innings against Rajasthan Royals in the IPL on Monday. The umpire was seen having a word with the bowler after the delivery, as the commentary box exploded in surprise. "How low is a legal sidearm delivery?" was the question raised by Harsha Bhogle. "Underarm deliveries are not allowed any more, as the Australians know well," he said. "Extraordinary!" was how former

India spinner Laxman Sivaramakrishnan exclaimed. Michael Slater said that Parag seemed to have "got away with it". The umpire, however, was seen having a word with the bowler, possibly

over with leg-spin, but surprised everyone with his round-arm ball which he slipped in the middle. Indian cricketer Kedar Jadhav, who was picked by Sunrisers Hyderabad before IPL 2021, is



# Jwala Gutta To Marry On This Date



New Delhi, Apr 13: Fans of Indian female badminton star Jwala Gutta had been waiting for a long time when they would announce their wedding. Today Jwala has told the fans through social media that she is going to marry actor Vishnu Vishal. The wedding will

take place on 22 April in a private ceremony in which some close people will be involved. Today, through social media, both the stars have shared this happy news with the fans. Jwala Gutta and Vishnu Vishal both shared a wedding card on Twitter today.

# Kolkata face MI test

Chennai, Apr 13: Fresh from their clinical display against Sunrisers Hyderabad, two-time champions Kolkata Knight Riders will look to set the record straight against nemesis Mumbai Indians in their second match here on Tuesday. They have won just once in their last 12 games against MI, and have an overall lopsided 6-21 head-to-head record. Having missed the last two playoffs, KKR looked a completely different unit, in the manner in which they defeated SRH on Sunday. Be it the aggression shown by the top-order or the explosive finish by Dinesh Karthik, KKR's displayed a fearless approach under skipper Eoin Morgan. The left-right opening combination of Nitish Rana and Shubman Gill started to attack right from the first ball, clearly indicating that the new approach had Morgan's success mantra written all over it. But on Tuesday it will all boil down to battle of wits between Morgan and Rohit Sharma, under whose captaincy MI has won a record fifth IPL title last season in UAE. MI will pose real challenge for KKR as the title holders would be desperate to secure their first win of the season after their two-wicket loss to Royal Challengers Bangalore in the IPL opener.

# WWE RAW Result: Drew McIntyre earns WWE Title opportunity at WrestleMania Backlash

New Delhi, Apr 13: Drew McIntyre clinched a WWE Title opportunity but was later targeted by T-BAR & MACE, the Viking Raiders made their return to the ring, Charlotte Flair ceremoniously announced her place in the pecking order and more. On Monday, Drew McIntyre, Randy Orton and Braun Strowman all tried to state their case for a WWE Title opportunity. Results: Drew McIntyre def. Randy Orton and Braun Strowman in a Triple Threat Match. The Strowman Express was stopped in its tracks with

steel steps, but The Viper smashed McIntyre through the announce table to up the carnage. Orton appeared ready to seize the moment after an RKO to Strowman, but McIntyre came sliding in with a Claymore to pin The Legend Killer and book another meeting with WWE Champion Bobby Lashley at WrestleMania Backlash. As McIntyre celebrated, MVP entered, and a double chokeslam from T-BAR & MACE to McIntyre left the WWE Universe with plenty of questions. Bobby Lashley def.

Riddle: After a backstage run-in, WWE Champion Bobby Lashley was out to teach The Original Bro following very different WrestleMania outcomes for the two Superstars. Riddle knew he'd have to go big to defeat The All Mighty, but a missed Floating Bro opened the door for a Hurt Lock finale. The Viking Raiders def. Cedric Alexander & Shelton Benjamin: The shocking return of The Viking Raiders shook Raw to its core and bulldozed Cedric Alexander & Shelton Benjamin in the process. Erik & Ivar



showed no signs of ring rust, as the gargantuan duo fought off an early assault to team up for a Viking Experience to clinch a statement win. Rhea Ripley vs. Asuka ended in no-contest - Raw Women's Title Match: In the wake of a landscape-shifting WrestleMania, Charlotte

Flair made her triumphant return and put Rhea Ripley and Asuka on notice. The Nightmare walked in ready to back up her Raw Women's Championship win the night before, but The Empress of Tomorrow seemed to assert herself at the right time. It turns out it was

exactly the right time for The Queen to lay waste to both competitors. The Miz & John Morrison def. Damian Priest - 2-on-1 Handicap Match: After an A-List "Miz TV" with special guest Maryse, The Miz & John Morrison once again found themselves in the crosshairs of The Archer of Infamy. With Bad Bunny back on the road, Damian Priest went it alone against Miz & Morrison and controlled portions of the match. As Priest ripped Miz's pants right off him, a distraction from Maryse allowed

her husband to slide in for a sneaky roll-up win. Nia Jax & Shayna Baszler def. Mandy Rose & Dana Brooke by count-out: Despite Mandy Rose's slide at WrestleMania, The Goddess & Dana Brooke were looking to get off and running against Nia Jax & Shayna Baszler. At the WWE ThunderDome on the campus of the University of South Florida, it was The Irresistible Force who couldn't find her footing. Following a pair of embarrassing falls, an enraged Jax set her sights on Rose, but

Rose and Brooke thought better of tempting fate and walked safely up the ramp, taking a count-out loss. The New Day def. Elias & Jaxson Ryker: The New Day focused their post-WrestleMania frustrations on the musical troupe of Elias & Jaxson Ryker. Xavier Woods was quickly met with a run of aggression, but a tag to Kofi Kingston turned up The Power of Positivity. Woods jumped in with a double stomp to the heart of Elias, and The New Day put themselves back on track.

## Pentagon Developed A Microchip That Can Filter Coronavirus



(A.O. Bureau) Pentagon, Apr 13: New variants of Coronavirus is wreaking havoc all over the world. Vaccination work is in full swing in many countries to prevent the spread of corona. Meanwhile, scientists at the Pentagon, the headquarters of the US Department of Defense, have created a microchip and developed a technology that will detect the coronavirus in the body. By applying this microchip, it will recognize the symptoms of corona in your body very easily and later the virus will be removed from the blood through the filter. This information has been given in a New York Times report. According to the report, this new technology has been developed by the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA). Retired Colonel Dr. Matt Hepburn, the pandemic expert who led this team, also

claimed that Covid-19 would be the last pandemic. According to the report, Dr. Matt Hepburn said, 'Now we are fully prepared to prevent any kind of biological and chemical attack in future. This microchip can be applied under the skin in any part of the body. It will tell every kind of chemical reaction that occurs in the body and the signals it sends will tell how long you are going to get infected. How will Microchip work? According to Dr. Hepburn, 'a gel has been added to the chip, which looks somewhat like a tissue. It has been made in such a way that it will continuously report the blood and report it. Its result will also be available to you within 3 to 5 minutes. For this, we have developed a machine like a dialysis to test blood with the help of a partner pathology organization of Pentagon.

## Hope Diagnostic & Research Laboratory Centre Inaugurated



(A.O. Bureau) Khordha, Apr 13: Hope Diagnostic and Research Laboratory centre inaugurated at Khordha. Hope Diagnostic centre is one of the leading business in the pathology labs. Also known for pathology labs, diagnostic centres, blood testing centre, labs, computerized diagnostic centre and

much more. Hope diagnostic centre is known for offering excellent patient care and has a well equipped clinic with all the modern equipment. The clinic has separate waiting and consultation areas which allow enough space for patients to wait conveniently at the clinic. Being a specialized pathology labs the doctor offers a number of medical services. With Hope diagnostic coming to khordha the patients need not have to go for off places for blood and other tests. Providing all types of equality services to the peoples of Khordha this centre's will also provide support to the laboratories for reliable tests results.

## Tourists will not be 'harassed' for COVID-19 report on Himachal Pradesh borders: Jai Ram Thakur



Dharamshala, Apr 13: Days after the state government announced making it mandatory for people coming from seven worst-affected states to show a COVID-19 negative test report on entering the state, Thakur said they have put

in place a mechanism for monitoring tourists on their arrival at the place of their stay. Tourists visiting Himachal Pradesh will not be "harassed" for a coronavirus negative test report on the state's borders, Chief Minister Jai

Ram Thakur said on Tuesday. Days after the state government announced making it mandatory for people coming from seven worst-affected states to show a COVID-19 negative test report on entering the state, Thakur said they

## Webinar on MOOCS in Higher Education

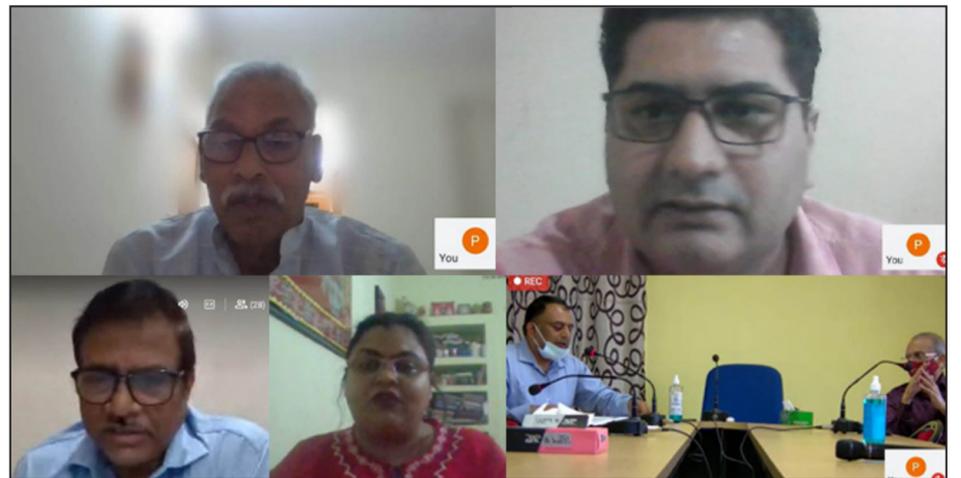
(A.O. Bureau) Koraput, Apr 13: A Webinar on 'Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs) in Higher Education' was organised at the Central University of Odisha on 12 April 2021. Prof. Kausal Kishore, Dean & Head, School of Education Central University of South Bihar delivered a lecture as a resource person. Prof. I. Ramabrahmam, Vice-Chancellor of the University inaugurated the webinar and delivered the Inaugural address. He conveyed his best wishes for a successful programme and hoped MOOCs is the right strategy to reach and serve the educational needs of the students. Prof. Kishore highlighted the key features, benefits and use of the MOOCs in a wider prospective particularly to provide education to large mass of

students cutting across the geographical boundary. He said "a good teacher is always happy to teach number of students and number of stu-

with face to face class. Prof. Sharat Kumar Palita, Dean, School of Biodiversity and Conservation of Natural Resources delivered the welcome

Sociology moderated the webinar and highlighted different platform of MOOCs like Coursera and Swayam and many more. Dr. Ram

and the Coordinator of MOOCs, CUO elaborated the steps taken by different departments of the University in producing online courses for



dents are always want to take the benefit of a good teacher. So MOOCs is the right solution for both teachers and students". He highlighted the advantages and limitations of online courses in comparison

address. He described MOOCs as the present need for the alternative education. He advised students to take benefit of the MOOCs available in SWAYAM platform. Prof. P. Durgaprasad, Visiting Professor of

Shankar, Controller of Examinations and organiser of the programme introduced the Guests of the webinar. Dr. Kakoli Banerjee, Asst. Professor of Biodiversity and Conservation of Natural Resources

MOOCs. She extended the vote of thanks. Large numbers of faculty members participated and interacted on the Webinar. Dr. Phagunath Bhoi, Public Relations Officer was also present on the programme.

## NTPC honoured with prestigious ISTD award for Innovative Training Practices

(A.O. Bureau) New Delhi, Apr 13: India's largest integrated energy company, NTPC Ltd has won the prestigious ISTD award in Learning & Development for Innovative Training Practices for the year 2018-19 and 2019-20. In total, 34 teams participated in the event and NTPC

won the final round held at the Scope Convention Centre. The prize money included a cheque of Rupees One Lacs along with a certificate and a trophy. Recently, NTPC has been conferred the prestigious 'Role Model' Award at the 11th CII National HR Excellence Award 2020-21.

