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Clear Focus On Good Governance And Transformation: PM

New Delhi, Jun 9: Prime Minister Narendra Modi has said that India has witnessed rapid transformations across diverse sectors in the last 11 years, and the NDA government, guided by the principle of 'Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas, Sabka Vishwas, Sabka Prayas', has delivered pathbreaking changes with speed, scale and sensitivity. Marking the 11 years of the NDA government at the Centre, PM Modi on Monday took to social media to highlight the efforts made across key sectors. India has undergone a decade of remarkable transformation, driven by the principles of Seva, Sushasan, and Garib Kalyan, he said. PM Modi said there has been a clear focus on good governance and



transformation. "Powered by the blessings and collective participation of 140 crore Indians, India has witnessed rapid transformations across diverse sectors. Guided by the principle of 'Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas, Sabka Vishwas, Sabka Prayas', the NDA Government has delivered pathbreaking changes with speed, scale and sensitivity," PM Modi wrote on his X post. He said that from economic growth to social upliftment, the government's focus has been on people-centric, inclusive and all-around progress. India today is not just the fastest-growing major

economy, but also a key global voice on pressing issues like climate action and digital innovation. "We are proud of our collective success but at the same time, we look ahead with hope, confidence and a renewed resolve to build a Viksit Bharat!" said the Prime Minister. PM Modi shared links about India's Vikas Yatra, showcased through interesting videos, infographics, and articles on the NaMo App, and urged people to explore these. He said the last 11 years have brought many positive changes and boosted 'Ease of Living.' "The NaMo App takes you through this transformative journey in an innovative manner, through interactive games, quizzes, surveys and other such formats that inform, engage and inspire.

Odisha CM Reviews Kendrapara Development Projects, Calls for Faster Execution

Kendrapara (Correspondent) Chief Minister Mohan Charan Majhi visited Kendrapara today to review ongoing development projects and assess their progress. The review meeting highlighted significant upcoming initiatives for the development of water resources and industries in Kendrapara district. Efforts will be made to expand the Hentla forest and boost eco-tourism activities in areas like Bhitarkanika and Gahirmatha. Several new projects are set to be inaugurated soon, including the establishment of a medical college in Kendrapara and a temple circumambulation project dedicated to Lord Baladev Jew. Discussions have taken place between



legislators and administrative officials regarding these initiatives. During the meeting, the district collector and other relevant authorities provided updates on ongoing departmental activities and addressed questions about the progress of various projects. Officials were instructed to identify and rectify delays in execution. The Chief

Minister discussed various aspects with the district administration, including forest conservation, tourism, rural development, roads, transportation, health, education, irrigation, women empowerment, agriculture, and industrial growth. He commended the pace of project implementation and urged further advancements. Key

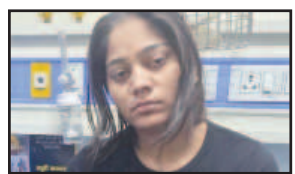
developmental efforts in the district mentioned included canal construction, road expansion, improvements to the drinking water supply, and strengthening the education and health care infrastructure. Additionally, significant progress has been made in welfare schemes, such as public hearings, pension

distributions, inspections by senior officials and ministers, midday meal schemes, and mission empowerment programs. Kendrapara district has secured second place in Odisha under the Subhadra and Lakhpati Didi schemes, receiving special recognition from the Chief Minister. Strict measures were directed against illegal Bangladeshi infiltration, sand smuggling, law enforcement challenges, and workforce shortages in government departments. The Chief Minister emphasised the goal of making Kendrapara an exemplary district in the future, focusing on industrial expansion, tourism growth, and renewable energy projects.

Sonam Raghuvanshi Surrendered Under Pressure: Meghalaya Police

Ghaziपुर: The Meghalaya Police on Monday said that Sonam Raghuvanshi, arrested in Uttar Pradesh's Ghaziपुर in the murder case of her husband, Raja Raghuvanshi, in Meghalaya, surrendered under pressure. Three other accomplices have been arrested, while one remains at large. In a shocking twist to the mysterious death of Indore-based Raja during his honeymoon in

Meghalaya, police on Monday confirmed the arrest of his wife, Sonam, for allegedly orchestrating his murder by hiring contract killers. Meghalaya police said Sonam, who was traced to Uttar Pradesh's Ghaziपुर, surrendered under mounting pressure at Nandganj police station late on Sunday night. "Sonam surrendered under pressure last night, bringing the total number of arrests in the case to



four. One accused remains absconding. Sonam will be brought back to Meghalaya for court proceedings," Meghalaya IGP Dalton P. Marak told IANS in a telephone conversation. According to Uttar Pradesh ADG (Law and Order) Amitabh Yash, Sonam was found at the Kashi Dhaba on the Varanasi-Ghaziपुर

main road. She was sent to Sadar Hospital for initial medical treatment and is currently being kept at the One Stop Centre. Meghalaya Director General of Police (DGP) Idashisha Nongrang stated that the investigation is ongoing, and the arrested individuals are being questioned for further leads. Chief Minister of Meghalaya Conrad K. Sangma also acknowledged the breakthrough in the case. Taking to X, he

posted, "Within 7 days a major breakthrough has been achieved by the Meghalaya Police in the Raja murder case... 3 assailants who are from Madhya Pradesh have been arrested, female has surrendered and operation still on to catch 1 more assailant.. well done." The couple, Raja and Sonam, had arrived in Meghalaya for their honeymoon and were exploring various locations when they went missing on May 23.

Married Woman Fatally Stabbed 17 Times By Lover In Bengaluru; Techie Arrested

Bengaluru: Close on the heels of the tragic Raja Raghuvanshi murder case in Meghalaya that rocked the nation, a shocking incident came to light from Bengaluru on Monday, where a software professional fatally stabbed his married lover 17 times as she was unable to meet him often after her husband became suspicious. The incident occurred recently in an OYO hotel room located in Poornaprajna



Layout, within the limits of the Subramanyapura police station, according to police. The deceased has been identified as 36-year-old Harini, and the accused as Yashas, a techie. According to the police, Harini was

married with two children and was having an extramarital affair with the accused. Police investigations revealed that Yashas and Harini met at a fair, exchanged numbers, and began chatting.

Israeli Commandos Intercept Gaza-Bound Humanitarian Ship Carrying Greta Thunberg, EU Lawmaker

NEWDELHI: In a dramatic maritime operation, Israeli commandos intercepted a British-flagged humanitarian yacht, Madleen, en route to the Gaza Strip. Among those on board were climate activist Greta Thunberg and Rima Hassan, a Member of the European Parliament (MEP). The vessel, operated by the Freedom Flotilla Coalition (FFC) — a pro-Palestinian group — was attempting to deliver humanitarian aid to Gaza in defiance of Israel's naval blockade, which has been in place for



years. Images posted by MEP Rima Hassan on social media showed the tense moments during the interception, including activists in life jackets, seated with their hands raised, indicating surrender. Israeli authorities have not immediately commented on the operation, but past

flotilla attempts have faced similar military action, citing security risks and unauthorized entry into restricted waters. The interception is likely to spark global debate, given Thunberg's international profile and the political presence of a sitting European lawmaker.

En route To Canada For G7, PM Modi's Stopover In Cyprus Being Planned: Sources

Nicosia/New Delhi, June 9: In yet another sign of India's growing outreach to the countries in the Mediterranean region, especially those in the neighbourhood of Turkey, Prime Minister Narendra Modi could make a brief stopover in Cyprus en route to Canada for participation in the G7 Summit, sources indicated on Monday. The Summit of the Group of Seven (G7) countries is scheduled to be held in Alberta from June 15-17 and Cyprus is being

strongly considered as a refuelling stopover, cited top officials. PM Modi could also hold bilateral discussions with the top leadership of the country during his short stay, they revealed. The region remains engulfed in conflict as Greece and Cyprus have repeatedly called out Ankara's "provocative actions" and accused Turkey's President Recep Tayyip Erdogan of making expansionist moves which have incensed many more countries in the

continent and beyond. Turkey has been slammed for expanding its oil and gas exploration plans in Greece's territorial waters and carrying out drilling activities in Cyprus's maritime economic zones. India-Cyprus relations have strengthened over the past 10 years under Prime Minister Narendra Modi who has stated that both countries share rich legacies of ancient civilizations which have influenced each other

through millennia. India has also maintained its principled position on the Cyprus Issue, reiterating several times its commitment for a bi-communal, bi-zonal federation based on UN Resolutions as a solution. "In modern times, our relationship goes back to the pre-independence era, when our founding fathers supported the freedom struggle of Cyprus. And, Cyprus too has always reciprocated with its warmth and friendship. India has always stood

by Cyprus on all crucial issues. In 1974, India took a firm stand in support of the sovereignty, unity and territorial integrity of the Republic of Cyprus. India has contributed personnel to the UN Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus. Three force commanders from India served in this capacity, and it is heartening for me to know that all of them are fondly remembered in Cyprus," PM Modi said during the State Visit of the President of Cyprus to India in April 2017.

Kejriwal and Atishi should tell what their governments have done for women in the last 11 years: Virendra Sachdeva

New Delhi : Delhi BJP President Shri Virendra Sachdeva has said that about 11 years ago, Aam Aadmi Party played politics on the murder of an innocent Nirbhaya and till date the leaders of "AAP" make political statements on crimes against innocent girls. The Delhi BJP President has said that undoubtedly the heinous crimes against innocents are condemnable and should not happen, but calling these crimes only a law and order problem is political cunningness because the people committing these crimes are victims of



criminal tendencies as well as perverted mentality. Delhi BJP President has said that police has taken strict action in most of such crimes and immediate arrest of criminals involved in Nehru Vihar case by police is necessary, while at the

same time there is a need to run social campaigns to spread public awareness against such criminals in the society and to create fear among them about such crimes. Shri Sachdeva has said that we are all angry with the gruesome crime committed against a girl from minority community in Nehru Vihar, surprisingly the person who victimized her is also from minority community and lives in the neighbourhood, Delhi Police has identified him and will arrest him soon but the people of Delhi want to ask a question to former Chief Minister of Delhi Arvind Kejriwal and Ms. Atishi Marlena in this context. Every year one or two gruesome crimes against girls or women come to light, police arrests the criminals and also gets them punished but

Kejriwal and Atishi should tell why their governments never ran any campaign to create social awareness to stop crimes against women in the last 11 years? In his government, be it the Delhi Women's Commission or the Child Commission, the heads of all used to make statements on issues ranging from Kashmir to Kanyakumari but not once did they launch any concrete campaign to change the criminal thinking of a perverted section of society towards girls and women.

'Zero Marks': Siddaramaiah's Rating For Modi Government

Mysuru: Karnataka Chief Minister Siddaramaiah on Monday stated that he would give "zero marks" to the Prime Minister Narendra Modi-led government. Interacting with media at his residence in Mysuru, the Chief Minister, answering a question on the completion of 11 years in office by Prime Minister Modi, asserted that Prime Minister Modi survives on publicity. He questioned who benefited from demonetisation, and reminded reporters of the Prime Minister's promises of "Achhe Din" (good days are coming), providing two crore jobs

every year, and resolving farmers' issues. He then asked why farmers agitated for a year if their problems were solved. The Chief Minister highlighted that Prime Minister Modi has not delivered on his major promises and "has merely completed eleven years in power". Siddaramaiah criticised the media for giving the Prime Minister excessive publicity, which he claimed helps spread false narratives. He pointed out that when the Karnataka government announced its guarantee schemes, critics claimed they couldn't be implemented and that the state would go bankrupt. Yet, these

same schemes were later duplicated and implemented in Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh, and Delhi. He also questioned PM Modi's actions, contrasting them with his tenure as Gujarat Chief Minister, where he advocated for a 50 per cent tax share. Siddaramaiah stated that while Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman announced Rs 5,300 crore for the state, it was never provided. C M Siddaramaiah further added that despite the 15th Finance Commission recommending Rs 11,495 crore in funds to Karnataka, it was also withheld.

Chinnaswamy Stampede: Event Management Firm Approaches HC, Seeks Quashing Of FIR

Bengaluru: DNA Entertainment Networks Pvt Ltd, named as an accused in the FIR by the Karnataka police in the June 4 Chinnaswamy Stadium stampede case that claimed 11 lives, approached the High Court on Monday seeking the quashing of the FIR against it. DNA submitted to the court that the plan to hold the celebration event at the Chinnaswamy Stadium was made by the government and the Karnataka State Cricket Association (KSCA). The government itself had invited people to participate in the



celebration. "When India won the T20 World Cup title, the celebration event in Mumbai was held. There was no untoward incident even as 3 lakh people gathered. The Wankhede Stadium capacity is 32,000, and no such incident was reported there," the DNA said. The petition claimed that

the state government decided to hold an event in front of the Vidhana Soudha, where the police provided more security, while police presence at the stadium was insufficient. The firm had deputed 584 private security personnel. The state has ordered arrests to conceal its mistakes, the petition argued. As per

District, Constituency-Level Units Launched To Implement 'Swarna Andhra Vision'

Amaravati: Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu on Monday inaugurated Vision Action Plan units in all 26 districts and 175 Assembly constituencies, making a formal launch of the 'Swarna Andhra 2047' vision. He said that until now, MLAs had no dedicated government office at the constituency level, and that gap has now been filled through these units. Each unit will be staffed with a team of nine members, and Rs 10 lakh has been allocated per office for its operations. Addressing MPs, MLAs, District Collectors, and officials



during a virtual inauguration from the State Secretariat, the Chief Minister called on them to drive the implementation of this vision forward. He described this initiative as a valuable opportunity for MLAs and encouraged them to make citizens active participants in the transformation journey. "Each

Constituency Vision Action Plan Unit will be chaired by the local MLA," the Chief Minister said. A Special Officer will serve as Executive Vice-Chairperson. Other members will include the local MLC, Municipal/Urban Panchayat Chairperson, RDO/Sub-Collector, Tahsildar, MPDO, and Municipal

Commissioner. He mentioned that to ensure holistic growth, the state has identified ten priority development sectors, which will receive focused attention. These sectors are agriculture, dairy, fisheries, and horticulture, industries, commerce, and logistics, services sector & IT, healthcare and medical infrastructure, education and skill development, environment and natural resource management, infrastructure – roads, water projects, housing, urban and rural development and governance efficiency and digital governance.

Man Who Filed Case Against Law Student Sharmishta Panoli Arrested In Kolkata

Kolkata: Wajahat Khan, the man, whose FIR at the Garden Reach police station on May 15, led to the arrest of the 22-year law student Sharmishta Panoli from Gurugram on May 30, was arrested on Monday by the Kolkata Police. While Panoli was arrested on charges of hurting the religious sentiments of a particular community and promoting hatred through a video that she posted on social media, Khan was also arrested on somewhat similar charges of spreading hate speech and hurting religious sentiments through social media. An FIR was lodged against Khan at the Golf Green police station in Kolkata based on the complaint lodged by an independent organisation Shree Ram Swabhimani Parishad of allegedly insulting the Hindu religious deities, Hindu rituals, and the people of the community. Three consecutive notices were served at Khan's residence at Garden Reach asking him to be present at the local police station for questioning. However, Khan continued to be on the run since then, and finally, on Monday he was arrested by the officials of the city police. Earlier on June 5, the Calcutta High Court granted interim bail for Sharmishta against a personal bond of Rs 10,000. While granting her the interim bail, the Calcutta High Court also observed that the arrest warrant issued against Sharmishta was mechanical and it was done without proper evaluation of whether there was a cognisable offence in the matter. The court also noted that the process of serving notice was going on when she was out of Kolkata. Khan filed the FIR against Sharmishta on May 15, for posting an Instagram video, where she made some objectionable comments related to 'Operation Sindoor' that had reportedly hurt the religious sentiments of a particular community.

Tear Gas, Rubber Bullets Used as LA Protests Escalate Over Immigration Raids, Trump's Guard Deployment

NEWDELHI: Protests in Los Angeles turned violent on Sunday as law enforcement fired tear gas and rubber bullets at demonstrators opposing aggressive federal immigration raids and the controversial deployment of the National Guard ordered by President Donald Trump. What began as peaceful protests in downtown LA on Friday quickly spread to Latino-majority neighborhoods like Paramount and Compton. By Sunday,



hundreds gathered outside the Metropolitan Detention Centre, where many detainees from the recent sweeps are being held. Protesters shouted slogans like "shame" and "go home" at heavily armed National

Guard troops. The unrest was triggered by widespread immigration enforcement actions that began late Friday, leading to over 100 arrests. Demonstrations erupted near government buildings

and in areas where raids were ongoing. In Paramount, protesters attempted to block Border Patrol vehicles, with some throwing rocks and cement, prompting a forceful response from federal agents using flash-bangs, tear gas, and pepper balls. Tensions peaked when the LAPD declared an unlawful assembly, and riot police clashed with demonstrators attempting to block the 101 freeway.

Two-Storey Building Collapses in Delhi, 8-Year-Old Child Killed, Two Injured

NEWDELHI: A devastating building collapse in Delhi's Nangloi area took the life of an eight-year-old child, leaving two others injured in the early morning hours. The Delhi Fire

Services received an emergency call and promptly dispatched rescue teams to the scene. Officials confirmed that the injured individuals were rushed to a nearby hospital for

urgent medical attention. Authorities are currently investigating the cause of the collapse. This tragedy comes amid concerns over structural integrity and urban safety measures

in densely populated areas. The incident follows a recent fire outbreak at an e-rickshaw charging station in northeast Delhi, raising further questions about city infrastructure risks.

SC To Hear On Friday Plea Against Karnataka's 'Ban' On Screening Of 'Thug Life'

New Delhi: The Supreme Court on Monday agreed to hear on June 13 a plea challenging Karnataka's "ban" on the screening of "Thug Life", a film by veteran film-maker Mani Ratnam and superstar Kamal Haasan. Initially, a bench of Justices Prashant Kumar Mishra and Manmohan questioned the petitioner for directly filing a petition before the top court and asked as to why he did not approach the Karnataka High Court. In response, advocate A. Valan, representing Bengaluru's M. Mahesh Reddy, stated that the Karnataka HC has sought an apology from Kamal Haasan. After much persuasion, the apex court agreed to hear the matter on Friday. During the film's audio launch, Kamal

Haasan claimed that "Kannada is born out of Tamil", sparking strong reactions in Karnataka. Following the controversy, the Karnataka HC suggested that the actor-politician issue an apology, but he has refused to do so. As a result of the actor's refusal to issue an outright apology, the film's release in Karnataka has been postponed indefinitely. Last week, Kamal Haasan wrote a letter to the Karnataka Film Chamber of Commerce stating that the row over his remarks on the origins of the Kannada language is a result of a misunderstanding. In his letter, the superstar also maintained that he is against the dominance of one language over another.

Odia professor, Odissi dance artist Dr. Chittaranjan Sahani awarded with Kavi Nandakishore Samal Pratibha Award

Bhubaneswar (Correspondent): The distinguished humanist, creative poet Nandakishore Samal Smriti Sansad has awarded Dr. Chittaranjan Sahani, Senior Professor of Odia Language and Literature Department and International Odissi dance artist for the year 2025. The meeting was held at Banipeeth Shri Ramachandra Bhawan Cuttack under the patronage of the President of the Sansad, Professor Ganeshwar Swain. The chief guest was Indian Administrative Service Officer Ratnakar Rout, the main speaker was



Neurosurgeon Dr. Ravinarayan Panda, Honorable Speaker Dr. Nrushinghacharan Behera, Odia Professor Dr. Ajay Kumar Mishra, poet Brahmananda Biswal, poet Rajiv Sadangi joined in to felicitate Dr. Chittaranjan Sahani with heartfelt appreciation, Uttariya, bouquet, manapatra and upadhokan. Dr. Chittaranjan has also

performed special dances in Odissi dance style based on the Odissi poetry of the past, especially the Chanda, Chaupadi creations of the poets of the past, and has been spreading Odissi literature to the youth groups of various schools, colleges and universities in the country and abroad through classical Odissi dance, becoming the first choice of the youth.

AM/NS India observes Sustainability Week in Odisha reaffirming its commitment to sustainability and environmental stewardship

Bhubaneswar, (Correspondent): ArcelorMittal Nippon Steel India (AM/NS India) observed Sustainability Week from May 29 - June 07, 2025, with a series of impactful events through the week across its Odisha locations, with the theme of "Ending Plastic Pollution". At Paradeep, activities included housekeeping audits, a plastic waste collection drive, and quiz and poster competitions involving employees, associates, and contract workers. On June 4, AM/NS India, in collaboration with the State Pollution Control Board (SPCB) and Paradeep Municipality, conducted



a large-scale sea beach cleaning drive at Paradeep Sea Beach, with participation from local vendors and employees. On June 05, 2025, marking World Environment Day, an awareness rally was organised by Regional Office, SPCB, Paradeep alongside Taladanda canal, followed by a stakeholder meet near the AM/NS India Plant main gate. The event

was graced by Shri Basant Biswal, Chairman, Paradeep Municipality, Shri Abhishek Panda, Executive officer, Paradeep Municipality, Shri Puskar Chandra Behera, RO, SPCB, Shri Suresha G, Executive Director, Odisha Asset, AM/NS India, Shri USR Raju, Plant Head, Paradeep Pellet Plant, AM/NS India along with representative from

different industrial houses including PPL, IOCL and JSW, who distributed fruit bearing saplings to the local communities. On that day a mass plantation drive was also organised inside the plant, culminating in a closing ceremony attended by dignitaries, including Shri Puskar Chandra Behera, Shri Suresha G and Shri USR Raju, with awards distributed to winners of various competitions. At AM/NS India's Bhubaneswar office, employees contributed to sustainability by creating recycled notebooks for underserved children under the CSR Employee Volunteering Program.

Hindalco Hirakud celebrates 21-day World Environment Day

Hirakud: (Correspondent): Hindalco, Hirakud celebrated the 21-day long 52nd World Environment Day with a grand ceremony at Hindal Club premises. The event was attended by Dr. Satya Narayan Nanda, Regional Officer, Sambalpur Office, Odisha Pollution Control Board, other officers of the Environmental Department, Hindalco Hirakud Unit Head Debashish Mallick, Human Resources Head, Odisha Cluster and Mines Group, Dr. Krishna Padhi was the guest of honour and other guests included Shri Pratap Sahu, Head of Skeletor Plant, Shri Arun Singh, Head of



Power Plant, Shri Biswas Shinde, Head of Human Resources, Hindalco, Ranjan Jena, Head of Environment Department, and colleagues Biswajit Parida, Shri Adish Jain. During the 21-day program, quizzes, drawing, essay writing, etc. competitions were organized among regular and contractual employees, students,

self-help groups and women to create environmental awareness. The program organized at Hindalco Club was inaugurated by Dr. Satya Narayan Nanda, Regional Officer of Odisha Pollution Board Sambalpur Office, Unit Head Shri Debashish Mallick, and other guests by lighting the lamp. This year, the

theme of World Environment Day is "End Plastic Pollution". It was expressed that the environment, water, forests and biodiversity are facing global danger due to the increase in plastic waste. Dr. Satya Narayan Nanda, in his speech, said that World Environment Day was started in 1972, now all the people have changed it and protected the environment. The staff present had made the public take a pledge not to use plastic. He had called upon everyone to work to maintain the ecological balance. Hindalco Hirakud's environmental awareness program was well appreciated by

the guests. On this occasion, Sambalpur Unit Head Shri. Mallick addressed the employees, public and students and called upon them to conserve water and electricity without wasting it. He expressed the view that it is the responsibility of everyone to protect the environment. Mr. Pratap Sahu, Biswas Shinde, Ranjan Kumar Jena, Arun Singh addressed the audience that everyone should help in balancing the environment. Just like the relationship between humans and nature, the environment can be protected by maintaining a relationship between humans and nature.

Gajanan S. Kale appointed as new CEO (Designate) of TPNODL

Balasore - (correspondent) - Shri Gajanan S. Kale has been appointed as the new Chief Executive Officer (CEO) (Designate) of TP Northern Odisha Distribution Limited (TPNODL), a joint venture of Tata Power and the Government of Odisha. With over three decades of experience in the power distribution sector, Mr. Kale has held senior positions in many renowned power distribution companies in the country. He holds a Masters in Electrical Engineering from NIT Nagpur and a degree in Management from IIM Ahmedabad. He has 33 years of experience in power distribution and management. Expressing his views, Shri Kale said, "TPNODL is always committed to providing quality and reliable electricity services to the consumers. We will provide quality electricity services to the consumers through modern technology and innovative management methods. Before taking charge as the CEO (Designate) of TPNODL, Shri Kale was serving as the CEO of Delhi Distribution Corporation and 'TPDDL' in Delhi. Prior to this, he also served as the Chief Executive



Odisha's COVID-19 Situation Stable; Health Director Urges Symptomatic Persons To Stay At Home

Bhubaneswar (correspondent): Anyone experiencing symptoms related to COVID-19 or flu-like illnesses should avoid public gatherings and self-isolate, urged Odisha's Director of Health Services Dr. Amrendranath Mohanty. The COVID-19 situation in Odisha remains stable and is not alarming, Dr. Mohanty said on Monday. Over the past few days, the number of new cases has been steadily declining. "As per the latest available data,



Odisha currently has only 45 active cases, and the overall positivity rate remains very low. Today's report is yet to be received, but the trend is positive," he added. Regarding the new strain, Dr. Mohanty explained, "This variant is not very dangerous. Both its infectivity and virulence

are minimal, and the severity of cases is low. There is no need for panic." He also noted that the Central Government has not issued any new COVID-specific instructions. "General preventive measures such as regular hand washing, respiratory hygiene, and avoiding crowds if symptomatic continue to be recommended." Referring to the upcoming Rath Yatra, he said no special restrictions have been imposed so far but advised caution.

Jindal Sports Hostel Athletes secure Double Gold for India at Moscow Wushu Star International Championship 2025

Bhubaneswar (correspondent): In a momentous achievement for Indian sports, two Wushu athletes from the Jindal Sports Hostel, Barbil, Prem Munda and Rajkumar Munda, have won gold medals at the prestigious Moscow Wushu Star International Championship 2025, held from June 1 to 7 in Russia. Competing in the Senior Men's 48 kg and 52 kg categories, Prem and Rajkumar displayed exceptional



skill and determination, overcoming top contenders from host nation Russia. Their victory marks a significant milestone for Indian Wushu on the

global stage. The Jindal Sports Hostel, Barbil is established and operated by the Jindal Foundation, the social arm of Jindal Steel & Power (JSP), under the

guidance of its Hon'ble Chairperson, Smt. Shalilu Jindal. Congratulating Prem and Rajkumar, Shri Naveen Jindal, Hon'ble 3rd time Member of Parliament (Lok Sabha) from Kurukshetra and Chairman, Jindal Steel & Power, said, "It is a moment of immense pride for all of us. Prem and Rajkumar's success is not only a victory for Indian sports but a celebration of the power of equal opportunity and

perseverance. I salute their grit and congratulate the entire Jindal Foundation team for nurturing rural sporting talents." Smt. Shalilu Jindal, Hon'ble Chairperson, Jindal Foundation, added, "Their journey from remote villages to the global stage is truly inspirational. At Jindal Foundation, we believe in empowering dreams through holistic support. These gold medals are a tribute to their spirit and hard work.

Odisha CM Raises Wildlife Attack Death Compensation to Rs 10 Lakh

BHUBANESWAR: (correspondent): In a significant move to support victims of wildlife attacks, Odisha Chief Minister Mohan Charan Majhi has announced an increase in compensation from Rs 6 lakh to Rs 10

lakh. This decision aims to provide better financial aid to families affected by incidents near forested areas. Understanding the frequent conflicts between humans and wildlife in jungle-adjacent villages, the government



has also expanded support measures. If a house is damaged due to such incidents, affected individuals will receive assistance under the Antyodaya Housing Scheme or an equivalent financial grant. Additionally, a

compensation of Rs 3,000 has been set for the damage to kitchen structures, grain storage units, or cattle shelters. If boundary walls or enclosures are damaged, compensation will be given at Rs 5,000 per meter, up to a maximum of Rs 25,000.

Dharamgarh Sub-Collector Arrested

Dharamgarh, (correspondent) Odisha Vigilance has arrested Sub-Collector Dhiman Chakma for allegedly accepting a Rs 10 lakh bribe in exchange for facilitating land-related approvals. The sting operation was conducted in Kalahandi, where Chakma was caught red-handed by the Vigilance team. Following his arrest, authorities conducted searches at his government residence, unearthing Rs 47 lakh in cash, suspected to be linked to illegal financial dealings. Vigilance officials have confirmed that further investigations are underway to determine the full extent of the corruption network. This arrest marks a significant crackdown on bureaucratic corruption in Odisha.

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life change literacy

Undoubtedly, being around 81 per cent of India's literacy is an admirable achievement and milestone. Compare it with the literacy situation of the country's freedom time, it should be seen as achievement. The level of literacy in a society is the mirror of its progress. These figures are also synonymous with continuity in access to the education of our society. However, data from the periodic labour force survey i.e. PLFS of 2023-24 also highlights that this step of the nation towards universal literacy is also disrupted by continuous many inequalities. Especially this distinction is seen on gender and regional basis. Look for example, the rate of literacy in urban areas is higher than that of rural areas. The main reason for which city-centric development is to be of favourable conditions for preferential and education. Statistics show that while literacy rate in urban India is 88.9, on the other hand, it has been 77.5 per cent in rural areas. Definitely resonated in various states this difference of urban and rural literacy shows inequality in education infrastructure, availability of qualified teachers and learning opportunities only. More or less similarly, gender inequalities are also seen in different states of the country. It will be said ironically that male literacy is seen far ahead against female literacy despite the decades-long policy level focus on girls' education in many states. Definitely at its core lies in social stereotypes, lack of social consciousness and inconsistencies of economic development. Due to which girls can't get enough opportunities for education. Not being able to provide adequate convenience of distance and movement of schools amid complex geographical conditions also leads to a decline in percentage of women education. All these reasons need to be addressed afresh. But at the same time, there have also been positive results in the activity of campaigns and governance focused on goals in some states. The results of Lakshadweep, Delhi, Tamil Nadu and Tripura show that anything is possible when the activation of governance, the reach of people and community engagement come together. In fact, the goals of state literacy that could not materialize economic anomalies and not materialize social and economic reforms could not be achieved in the national ratio. Bihar's position with the lowest literacy rate outlines the complex interconnection of poverty, inadequate schooling, cultural factors, and social barriers hindering the path of education. Many questions arise before us despite these encouraging figures here. The question is also what kind of literacy are we developing? Is the quality of education of this level that it can become a factor of widespread changes in the lives of people? The thing is not just of figures should also be explores whether literacy actually develops progressive thinking, civic obligations, and ability to participate meaningfully in economic life? What these recent figures have not been able to include, especially marginalized communities, must be our primary goal to link them to literacy success. The need is also that schooling is quality, teachers get adequate training, they also have access to digital education and increase investment in education

Selfless Service is the Blossom of Real Love



Dr. Suresh Kumar Nayak

The most fundamental teaching of the ancient culture of India is love. For generations, the youth of this land have been exhorted, encouraged and taught, both by precept and example, to love the poor, the helpless, the handicapped, the illiterate and the disabled, for, the same spark of divinity that is in us, is also equally evident and active in them as well. Service is the blossom of love, a flower that fills the mind with rapture. Harmlessness is the fragrance of this flower. Let even our little acts be redolent with compassion and reverence; our character would thereby shine greatly. The highest happiness is contentment. Where there is no harshness, there holiness will thrive and virtue will flourish. Where greed exists, vice will breed. We must completely destroy the

urge to live an isolated life, like that of a lone bull. We must not entertain such a wish, in our wildest dreams. We must understand the deep significance of service; it would uplift our spirits and souls as nothing else would. We fulfill ourselves by giving; we empty ourselves by grabbing. We must speak to all and of all with love blooming out of adoration; let our hands give, never take what is not ours. We must try to offer people our love; they will respond with lasting gratitude. If we give clothes or houses, they are apt to lose them. If we give them education, they may or may not use it for their good. But, if we give them love, they will imbibe it gratefully and fill their hearts with it, and be happy as never before. All men are kin, they are of the same likeness, the same build; molded out of the same material, with the same divine essence in each. Service to man will help our divinity to blossom, for, it will gladden our hearts and make us feel like that life has been worthwhile. In fact, service to man is service to God, for He is in every man, and every

living being, and in every stone and stump. Love expresses itself as service, love grows through service, and love is begun in the womb of service. We must engage every moment of our lives in the most beneficial manner, to serve our fellow men to the best of our capacity, to cultivate love towards all mankind, and to give up hate and malice. We must love, cooperate, help, and serve. This is our prime duty. We must develop compassion and sympathy; engage in service, understand the agony of poverty, disease, distress and despair; and, share both tears and cheers with others. This is the surest and most reliable way to soften the heart, and help all our efforts, endeavors, and enterprise to succeed. We must welcome within the fold of our love, all men without distinction of race or religion, color or class. We must have the picture of the happy love-filled human community in our heart. This will bestow upon us the much needed encouragement in the mission of service.

The Venture Through Spirituality & Purpose



Dibyanshu Mishra

In the labyrinth of modern existence, the quest for spirituality and purpose emerges as a profound endeavor to unearth meaning and align with one's intrinsic values. Spirituality, often transcending religious dogma, is the pursuit of a deeper connection with the self, the cosmos,

or a higher power. Purpose, its symbiotic counterpart, anchors this exploration, offering a compass to navigate life's vicissitudes. Together, they forge a path toward fulfillment, harmonizing individual aspirations with universal truths. To embark on this journey, one must first interrogate personal values—those immutable principles that define one's essence. Introspection, often facilitated through practices like meditation or journaling, unveils core beliefs, whether rooted in compassion, integrity, or creativity. These values become the bedrock of purpose, guiding decisions and fostering resilience against existential ennui. For instance, contemplative practices such as mindfulness

meditation cultivate equanimity, enabling individuals to discern their calling amidst life's cacophony. Spiritual practices, from chanting mantras to engaging in altruistic service, serve as conduits to transcend the mundane. Rituals, imbued with intentionality, anchor the ephemeral to the eternal, whether through the rhythmic cadence of prayer or the silent reverence of nature walks. These acts, grounded in authenticity, align one's actions with their purpose, creating a congruent life narrative. By embracing such practices, individuals not only discover meaning but also contribute to a collective tapestry of purpose, enriching both self and society.

How to maintain harmony in a joint family



Kishore Kumar Jena

Try not to find fault with others. Ignore minor faults completely. When it is necessary to point out major faults, do so lovingly, without hurting the other party. In case of difference of opinion, have a free and frank discussion immediately. Otherwise, differences will grow more and more mutual love will be eroded, and the stored up differences will explode spirit, would prevent such extreme situations. Be ready to sacrifice personal likes and dislikes for the sake of others. There will then be no room for

differences to arise and consequently peace will prevail. Let us not lift an accusing finger at others. Remember. "Who is to blame is not important only



how shall we set the situation right". Serve everybody, instead of serving oneself. This will

gradually help removing our ego, our individuality. When this happens our little specific wants our likes and dislikes (areas of differences in a joint family) will be reduced. Our wants merge with those of others. We become one and there is total peace and harmony. We should understand that there are different types of people with different styles of actions. If one person is very stubborn, the other should surrender and then later talk to him lovingly about it. If one is continuously stubborn, then part lovingly. If you feel someone is prejudiced against you, you should have love for that person. One day he will understand you and everything will become peaceful and blissful. Finally, remember that the common aim is realisation of God and one should work for it.

India: A nation moving forward with self-confidence



Mahesh Chand Gupta

The 'Operation Sindoor' which India has recently successfully carried out, has become not just a military operation but a symbol of its strategic thinking, global outlook and the collective strength of the nation. The success of this operation has given India a chance to prove once again that it is not just a country with a large population or ancient culture but is also a strategic, technical and military power that is capable of influencing global equations. India is now a nation moving forward with self-confidence. India's growing power and global identity is a matter of pride for the countrymen. Operation Sindoor has once again strongly presented India's defense capability to the world. The message is clear that India uses its power only when required but when it does, it does so with complete precision and success. After this operation, the eyes of the international community are fixed on India. Global power centres like the US and China have now started realising that India is not just an emerging economy but a potential leader nation which is moving ahead with the principle of 'Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam'. India's thinking is not only to match the US or China but to surpass them and establish itself as a world leader. The most interesting thing about Operation Sindoor was that it also brought a new consciousness in Indian politics. Leaders like Owaisi and Shashi Tharoor, who were earlier considered anti-government, also praised

this operation and considered national interest paramount. The way these leaders, as members of the Indian delegation, went to different countries of the world and strongly presented India's side and exposed Pakistan, it became clear that when it comes to the security and prestige of the country, political differences are left behind and the feeling of 'India first' becomes paramount. This is the same form of nationalism which has been deepening in the Indian psyche for the last decade under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi. The wave of nation-building that began in 2014 is now yielding visible results. India's rapidly growing economy has made it a hub of global investment and technological partnerships. With the success of Operation Sindoor, India has also made major achievements on the technological front. The world's tallest Chenab Railway Bridge over the Chenab River in Kashmir is not just a construction project but an astonishing example of engineering prowess and scientific approach. Prime Minister Narendra Modi has made a long-cherished dream come true by flagging off the first Vande Bharat train to Srinagar along the Chenab Bridge. With this, Kashmir has been connected to the rest of the country. Now direct train travel from Kashmir to Kanyakumari will be possible. This was the dream of Maharaja Pratap Singh, the Dogra king of Jammu and Kashmir, who conceived the route in the late 1880s and engaged British engineers to survey it. For the people of Kashmir Valley, this train has not only become a reliable means of transportation in all seasons, but it is also expected to boost tourism and trade in the area. Earlier in April, Modi inaugurated India's first

vertical lift Pamban Sea Bridge in Rameswaram, Tamil Nadu. This railway bridge built over the sea connects the past and the future. Now the main structure of Rafale fighter aircraft will be manufactured in Hyderabad in India, which is a historic achievement of the 'Make in India' initiative. For this, the agreement between Tata Advanced Systems Limited and France's Dassault Aviation shows that now India is not only an importer but is also becoming a manufacturer and exporter of defense products. India is now not only a consumer of weapons, but also a manufacturer and exporter. The participation of private companies in the defense sector is making India self-reliant. India's future in defense production is very bright. Self-reliance in the field of defense is a big achievement of India. India has made a big change by adopting the policy of allowing the private sector to enter the defense sector. This has promoted competition, innovation and quality. The demand for the Brahmos missile developed by a joint effort of India and Russia after Operation Sindoor has increased in the world market and many countries are now showing interest in buying defense equipment from India. It is expected that India will leave behind the global competition in the defense sector in the next ten years. Not only this, India is moving towards making its defense sector completely self-reliant through indigenous technology and startups. India has made remarkable progress not only in defense but also in the fields of energy, health and technology. India is becoming a world leader in the field of solar energy. With the coordination of government schemes and private investment, India is now on the path of becoming an

energy exporting country. Now semiconductor manufacturing has started in India. It is the most important part of the global supply chain. Now this will also give India self-reliance in areas like electronics manufacturing and artificial intelligence. India's foreign policy is no longer limited to its own interests but is focused on the policy of taking the world along. Prime Minister Modi has a clear vision that India wants to play the role of a guide and not just a partner in global leadership. Presidency of G20, India's active participation in global forums, the changed scenario after Operation Sindoor are indications that India is now emerging as a balancing power. Although India's progress is remarkable, the challenges are also not less. Battling all the challenges, India is determined to move forward. India's policy of holistic development and holistic revolution is now clear. The dream of making India a developed nation by 2047 is not just a political manifesto but a national goal. For this, cooperation of policy, intention and citizens is necessary and these three are united and taking India forward today. Operation Sindoor has shown India's military capability as well as given a message that India is no longer hesitant about its interests. It wants peace, but is capable of responding to any interference or challenge. India is now at a point from where it is not only solving its problems but is also participating in solving global problems. This is the new India, which is self-reliant, powerful, technologically advanced, and ready to keep pace with the world. This is a glimpse of that new India which is full of self-confidence, unity, innovation and the spirit of leadership.

BJP Responds to BJD Protest with Counter Allegations at Press Meet

Jharsuguda, (correspondent): In response to the protest staged earlier today by the Biju Janata Dal (BJD) in front of the Laikera Block Office, the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) held a press conference at its district office in BTM during the evening, led by Senior leader Santosh Yadav. The BJD protest, led by former MLA Deepali Das, accused the Laikera BDO of acting arbitrarily and raised seven demands related to alleged irregularities and misgovernance. BJD

leaders also claimed that the BDO was working under the influence of the BJP MLA. In reaction, the BJP termed all allegations made by the BJD as baseless and politically motivated. The BJP countered by stating that during its 24-year rule, the BJD government was plagued by widespread corruption, and those now protesting were themselves responsible for misdeeds in governance. It's laughable that those involved in corruption



— sarpanches, samiti members, block chairpersons, and Zilla Parishad members, all belonging to the BJD — are now protesting in front of the block office,” said a BJP spokesperson during the press meet. The BJP

local BJP leaders including: Dwitiya Oram, President of BJP Laikera Mandal, Pankaj Behera, Former Mandal President, Rohit Kishan, Block General Secretary, Kartik Behera, Vice President, Basudev Jayapuria, Former Sarpanch of Sarangloi, Kulamani Kishan, President of Pakelpada Mandal, Moujilal Dandasena, Deepak Panda, and Ekadashia Rana. The meeting was moderated by Premsen Ray, District General Secretary of the BJP.

The photo will help the police to catch maoist leader Hidma



Malkangiri, correspondent:- A photo of Maoist leader Hidma from his current time has gone viral. Earlier, the police had an old and young photo of Hidma. A photo of Hidma from his current time has been seized by the police. Due to which the notorious Maoist leader Hidma has again become the center of discussion. Because 20 years ago, only one photo of Hidma was in the possession of all the media and the police. But the photo that has come out now is different from the previous one. Now it is clear how this Maoist leader is seen. Hidma is the mastermind of many big violence cases of the Maoist organization and takes the lead in many incidents. Therefore, while the police are always trying to collect information about this notorious Maoist leader, it is said that once the current photo is found by the police, it will be helpful in catching Hidma. However, it has been revealed that this photo was given to a media representative from Chhattisgarh by a Naxal. Therefore, it has been clarified that the media photo is the current one of Hidma.

Attempt to rape a woman: on oppsing Minor son's genitals cut off by a miscreant

MALKANGIRI, (correspondent) A miscreant cut off the private parts of a minor when she resisted while attempting to rape a woman. The incident took place last night in MV 24 village under Korukonda police station in Malkangiri district. According to the

complaint filed with the police station, two men from the village tried to rape a woman who was alone at home at around 8 pm last night in MV 24 village. At this time, the woman screamed and her brother's minor son, who was near her house, came to protest. When the minor

protested, the accused and his brother attacked the minor and injured her private parts and left. Hearing the screams of the minor, the locals came to rescue her and immediately took her to Malkangiri Hospital for treatment. The complainant has filed a written complaint at the

Korukonda police station. A case has been registered at the Korukonda police station under case number 99/2025. The police have detained two people and are investigating, said the investigating officer, Sub-Inspector Prashant Kumar Sabat.

Old Man Killed Suspicious on Witchcraft at Gajapati ,10 villagers arrested

Paralakhemundi - (correspondent) Superstition streaming at rural area, where one old man succumbed for witchcraft doubt. Deceased name was Kambi Mallick (60), belonged to Kuihuru village under Mohana police limits of Gajapati district. That old man killed by gang & later cremated. Police reached & collected bones, ashes & big knife of body. Now that village is out of all males. In this case 10 villagers arrested. Out of 10 8 women involved in this murder. As per information Kambi Mallick's son &



daughter went for a feast. As staying alone he had been attacked by a big knife. Later those killers pulled him & burnt at nearest forest near a mango tree. On Wednesday son & daughter found missing of their father, but marked blood spot at home. Suspicious grilled & villagers though knew but on fear they did

not disclose anything of such incident. Police found the burnt of that deceases & collected rest residue part of burning. Scientific team & dog squad reached at village & investigation is going on. 8 females & 2 males taken to custody. Now village completely zero of males. As that deceased person used to give herbal medicines & was doing candid rituals. So suspicion on witchcraft they killed. IIC Mohana Basant Sethi said very soon rest of all killers will be arrested.

55-Year-Old Man Dies In Lightning Strike In Pipili

Pipili: A 55-year-old man from Malibarahi village in Kulasekhar Patna Panchayat under Pipili police station limits in Puri district lost his life after being struck by lightning on Monday afternoon. The deceased, identified as Suresh Bhoi, was heading to his agricultural field around 3 PM when the tragic incident occurred. According to

local sources, a sudden bolt of lightning struck him while he was walking with an umbrella, which was completely charred in the impact. The strike caused severe burn injuries to his chest and abdomen. His family members immediately rushed him to Community Health Centre (CHC) at Mangalpur for urgent medical attention.

However, upon arrival, doctors declared him dead. The incident has cast a pall of gloom over the village, with locals mourning the sudden and untimely loss of Bhoi, a well-known resident of the area. The local administration is expected to initiate procedures for lightning-related ex gratia compensation as per government norms.

Boudh's pride : Bhagyashree tops in Edu honours

Boudh (correspondent): Rajendra University's Combined +3 Arts examination results have been declared yesterday. Bhagyashree Mishra, a student of Sonepur Model Degree College, has topped Rajendra University in the Education Honours with a CGPA of 88.4%. Bhagyashree is the only daughter of Sudam Charan Mishra and Kalyani Mishra, teachers from Gudvelipadar village of Manamunda police station in Boudh district. Bhagyashree says that she achieved such success due to the quality teaching of the college's professors, lecturers and coaching teachers along with the inspiration of her parents & family. Congratulations are pouring in from various quarters for her success.

One Killed, Another Injured In Lightning Strike

Bhubaneswar (correspondent): In a tragic incident, a person was killed and another injured in a lightning strike at Ragadi village under Korei police station in Jajpur district on Monday afternoon. The deceased has been identified as Dilip Nayak (23), was a helper by profession and hailed from Bajrakot village under Kaniha police station in Angul district. The injured has been identified as Pappu Khuntia (27), a resident of Kalanda village in Keonjhar district, is currently undergoing treatment.

Vikashit Krushi Sankalp Abhijan Program Held

SARNAPUR, (correspondent) On Monday, an interaction program was held between agricultural scientists and farmers at Tithipali Rameshwar Temple under Uphula Gram Panchayat of Birmaharajpur Block in the context of the Vikashit Krushi Sankalp Abhijan with the aim of adopting technology, skills and using government schemes to double and multiply their income. The campaign, which started on May 29 and ended on June 12, reached the Tithi stage today and made people aware about various government schemes of both the central and state governments. The chief guest of the program was the Sarpanch Shriya Karmi who attended the interaction program between the Annadata and agricultural scientists on the occasion of the Vikashit Krushi Sankalp Abhijan of the Government of India. The participation of



agriculture and allied agricultural officers and the participation of government scheme awareness program organizers Agriculture Department and Krushi Vigyan Kendra Sonepur. District Agriculture Officer Dharendra Singh Bariha informed about the objectives of the Bariha campaign. Block Agriculture Officer Yashwant Padhan, Assistant Horticulture Officer Priyadarshini Jhankar, Veterinarian Dr. Akash Kumar Sahu, BTM Jitendra Meher joined and informed the farmers present about the agriculture related agricultural schemes. Senior Scientist and Head of Sonepur Krushi Vigyan Kendra Dr. Biswaranjan

Patnaik and Scientist Dr. Suprabha Sethi joined the event and encouraged the farmers to increase their income by discussing soil health testing, seed treatment, mechanized farming, use of new scientific knowledge and techniques in farming, natural farming and various facilities and discounts of the Central Government, schemes and interacting with the farmers. Assistant Technical Manager Minketan Mahakur conducted the awareness meeting while Agriculture Overseer Jayanti Dehuri, Village Agriculture Officer Manoj Amat, Kamal Sahu, Krishnak Sathi Madhu Sudhan Padhan cooperated.

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e Procurement Notice
BID IDENTIFICATIONNUMBER - BLGRMPTY/02(01-12)/2025-26

Bid Documents consisting of work, Estimated cost, Cost of Tender paper, EMD, Time of completion, Class of Contractor and the set of terms and conditions of contract and other necessary documents can be seen in Govt. Website i.e. www.tendersorissa.gov.in.

1. Name of the Work	Civil Construction work as mentioned in DTCN
2. No. of works	12(Twelve) Nos.
3. Estimated Cost.	Rs.5.00 Lakhs to Rs. 18.60 Lakhs
4. Period of Completion	3 Calendar Month
5. Date and Time of on line Bidding	from 11.00 AM of 09.06.2025 to 5.00 PM of 23.06.2025
6. Online Bids shall be Open on	24.06.2025 on 11.00 AM
7. Name & Address of the Officer Inviting Bid	Executive Officer, Balangir Municipality

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9. Further any addendum/ corrigendum/ clarification issued in connection with the tenders shall be uploaded in the above website and no news paper advertisement shall be given. Bidders are advised to visit the website regularly for obtaining all such details.

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Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower/ Co-Borrower/Loan account number/Branch	Description Of Secured Asset In Respect Of Which Interest Has Been Created	Date of Demand Notice sent & Outstanding Amount	Date of Possession
1	Kalash Behera Shakuntala Behera Gudabhai Behera (NHL00700010334) Khurda	At: Mouza-Manungpur, P. No. 43, In Under Khata No. 1002/2003, Plot No. 2114, AG 0302 Gerni, Tahsil-Chikla, PS-Tangi, Dist-Khurdha, PO, Sonari, Jankapur, Odisha, Pin: 752027. East-Government Road, West-Road, South-Jankapur Behera, North-Khushina Behera	15-03-2025 & Rs.490349/-	04-06-2025

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1	Kabita Rani Behera Guru Dipan Behera (NHL00700001905) BDO-Purchaser, North-Seller	Land Bearing Mutation Ror No. 130 / 52, Plot No. 243 / 51, Area: AD 0200dc, Kissan / Type: Homestead Lying, Being And Situate At Vill - Singdipi, PS - Khairia, P. No. 74, Dist - Balasore, Odisha - 756059. East-Seller, West-Sashi Padma	14-05-2025	19-05-2025 & Rs.245969/-

Notice, is therefore given to the Borrowers / Co-Borrowers, as mentioned herein above, calling upon them to make payment of the total outstanding amount as shown herein above, against the respective Borrower / Co-Borrower, within 60 days of publication of this notice. Failure to make payment of the total outstanding amount together with further interest by the respective Borrower / Co-Borrower, MAHOFIN shall be constrained to take u/s 13(4) for enforcement of security interest upon properties as described above, steps are also being taken for service of notice in other manners as prescribed under the Act and the rules made hereunder. You are put to notice that the said mortgage can be redeemed upon payment of the entire amount due together with costs, charges and expenses incurred by MAHOFIN at any time before the date of publication of notice for public auction or private treaty for transfer by way of sale, as detailed in Section 13(2) of the SARFAESI Act. Take note that in terms of S-13 (13) of the SARFAESI Act, you are hereby restrained from transferring and/or dealing with the Secured Properties in any manner by way of sale, lease or in any other manner.

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Notice, is therefore given to the Borrowers / Co-Borrowers, as mentioned herein above, calling upon them to make payment of the total outstanding amount as shown herein above, against the respective Borrower / Co-Borrower, within 60 days of publication of this notice. Failure to make payment of the total outstanding amount together with further interest by the respective Borrower / Co-Borrower, MAHOFIN shall be constrained to take u/s 13(4) for enforcement of security interest upon properties as described above, steps are also being taken for service of notice in other manners as prescribed under the Act and the rules made hereunder. You are put to notice that the said mortgage can be redeemed upon payment of the entire amount due together with costs, charges and expenses incurred by MAHOFIN at any time before the date of publication of notice for public auction or private treaty for transfer by way of sale, as detailed in Section 13(2) of the SARFAESI Act. Take note that in terms of S-13 (13) of the SARFAESI Act, you are hereby restrained from transferring and/or dealing with the Secured Properties in any manner by way of sale, lease or in any other manner.

Date: 10th June 2025 | **Place:** ODISHA | **Sd/-** Authorized Officer Manappuram Home Finance Ltd

Father-Son Duo Killed In Hit-And-Run Accident In Kandhamal

Bhubaneswar (correspondent):: A father-son duo was killed after being run over by an unknown vehicle at Baliguda in Kandhamal district. The deceased have been identified as Hema Kanhar and his son Nilakantha, residents of Sirshipanga village under Rutungia panchayat under Baliguda police limits. According to reports, Hema and his son, Nilakantha, were

riding their bike from Raipanga village to their home at Sirshipanga when an unknown vehicle hit them near Galigura Ghati on Sunday night. Hema died on the spot, while his son was critically injured and rushed to the District Headquarters Hospital, where he was declared dead by doctors. The incident has sparked tension in the village, with locals expressing outrage over the

delayed arrival of the ambulance, which they believe could have saved the lives of the duo. Upon being received the information, Baliguda police have reached the accident site and seized the bodies. Police have sent the bodies for post-mortem. An investigation into the incident is underway, with police working to identify the vehicle involved in the hit-and-run accident.

Deepika Padukone Joins Allu Arjun-Atlee’s AA22xA6 After Controversial Exit from Prabhas’ Spirit

Actor Deepika Padukone surprised fans on Saturday morning by officially joining AA22xA6, the highly anticipated pan-India action film featuring Allu Arjun and directed by Atlee. This marks Deepika’s second Telugu-language pan-India venture after Kalki 2898 AD. The announcement arrives just days after her controversial exit from director Sandeep Reddy Vanga’s Spirit, starring Prabhas. While reports initially blamed Deepika’s alleged refusal to speak Telugu and her request for limited working hours as reasons for her departure, the timing of her new Telugu project has reignited debate online. A video released by Sun Pictures, the production house behind AA22xA6, shows Deepika interacting with Atlee in a studio, followed by glimpses of her training as a fierce warrior wielding a battle axe. Concept art revealed during the teaser hints at a physically demanding and dynamic role. Online users were quick to question the earlier narrative. Some Redditors pointed out inconsistencies, suggesting that Vanga’s team may have misrepresented Deepika’s professional stance. “So it was never about speaking Telugu or 8-hour shifts or money—those were lies?” read one post. Others speculated that Deepika may have been treated more fairly by Atlee and Sun Pictures. One user added perspective: “Deepika, like anyone else, is free to make choices. The fact that top directors are still approaching her says enough.” Deepika’s departure from Spirit came amid reports that the actor, also a new mother, requested 8-hour workdays—leading to friction with the production. Vanga later accused her of leaking the film’s story, further fueling controversy. She has since been replaced by Triptii Dimri in the film, which has yet to begin production. With AA22xA6, Deepika is back in the spotlight—this time as a battle-ready queen, turning speculation into screen presence.

Tips To Prevent And Manage Foodborne Diseases



Some common food infections include Listeria, E. coli, Salmonella, Staphylococcus, Hepatitis A and norovirus. Some of the common symptoms people experience after contracting a foodborne infection include diarrhoea, vomiting, fever, dehydration, abdominal cramps, nausea and jaundice.



4 Tips To Prevent Foodborne Illnesses

Food that is mishandled can lead to foodborne illness, explains the US Food Safety and Inspection Service. Prevent foodborne illness by following these four easy steps: 1. Clean: Wash Hands And Surfaces Often Everything that touches food should be clean. Wash your hands with warm, soapy water for 20 seconds before and after handling food. Thoroughly wash all surfaces in the kitchen that come in contact with raw meat, poultry, fish, and eggs. Rinse and pat dry cutting boards after each use. Serve cooked products on clean plates, using clean utensils and clean hands. 2. Separate: Don't Cross-contaminate Raw meat, chicken, seafood, and eggs can spread germs to the rest of the food, so it is important to keep them separately all the time, whether when you are purchasing raw meats or storing them in a refrigerator. Also, keep a separate cutting board for these. 3. Cook To The Right Temperature Food is safely cooked when the internal temperature gets high enough to kill germs that can make you sick. Make sure every meal you cook is cooked properly and all the raw veggies are washed well before using in salads or cooking.

5 Foods For Good Digestion.

Chill: Refrigerate Promptly Bacteria can multiply rapidly if left at room temperature or in the "Danger Zone" between 40 and 140 degrees Fahrenheit (4.44 and 60 degrees Celsius). Refrigerate perishable food like meat, seafood, dairy, cut fruit, vegetables, and cooked leftovers within 2 hours. Pack warm or hot food into clean and small containers and then

refrigerate.

4 Effective Ways To Manage Foodborne Diseases

If you have eaten a possibly contaminated food item and are experiencing symptoms of foodborne illness, the following tips can be helpful, as shared by Harvard Health: 1. Rest And Maintain Distance From Others If you have a food-related illness, rest as much as possible and avoid any exertion. Stay away from others and try not to use the same bathroom, so you don't spread any bugs you're carrying. 2. Stay Hydrated Avoid sugary drinks or alcohol as these can worsen your symptoms. Keep hydrating by taking small sips of water. It is important to keep drinking water as "severe dehydration can cause chemical imbalances in the body and even lead to kidney failure," says Dr. Christopher Baugh, an emergency medicine physician at Harvard-affiliated Brigham and Women's Hospital. 3. Take Medication Wisely If your symptoms don't include a high fever or bloody stool, Dr Baugh says it's probably okay to take an antidiarrheal medication. However, if the symptoms are mild and you can stand them, it may be wise to avoid medications and let your body expel the invaders. "If you take the medication, there's a risk that it might improve the symptoms but prolong or worsen the illness," Dr Baugh says. Also Read: What We Eat In Our 40s Can Determine Health In Our 70s, Harvard Says Best Diet Is... 4. Don't Hesitate To Consult Your Doctor In case of distress or troublesome symptoms, especially signs such as severe dehydration, abdominal pain, high fever or bloody stool, it is important to consult your doctor urgently and seek medical assistance. "Untreated bacterial food poisoning may progress into a life-threatening condition without antibiotics and intravenous fluids," Dr Baugh explains.

Drinking Soda And Fruit Juice Could Boost Your Risk Of Type 2 Diabetes



That daily soft drink habit? Or the "healthy" glass of orange juice with breakfast? Turns out, both might be quietly messing with your blood sugar more than you realise. A new study has found a strong link between drinking sugary beverages, including fruit juices, and a higher risk of developing type 2 diabetes. If you are sipping on soda, fruit juice, energy, or sports drinks regularly, it may be time to rethink. According to researchers from Brigham Young University in the US, these drinks could be pushing your chances of type 2 diabetes (T2D) much higher than previously believed. Whole Foods Vs Drinks: Not All Sugar Hits The Same The team noted that sugars consumed through nutrient-dense foods - like whole fruits, dairy, or whole grains - behave differently in the body and do not overwhelm the liver.

That is because these foods bring along fibre, healthy fats, proteins, and other nutrients that help slow down blood sugar spikes, the researchers said. Published in the journal Advances in Nutrition, the study analysed health data from over half a million people across different continents. What researchers found: each additional 350 ml serving of sugary drinks - like soft drinks, energy drinks, or sports drinks - increased the risk of developing T2D by a massive 25 per cent.

There was no safe lower limit either. The risk went up right from the first drink. Even Fruit Juice Is Not Entirely Innocent Fruit juice did not get a free pass either. One extra 250 ml glass of 100 per cent fruit juice, juice drinks, or nectars a day led to a 5 per cent higher risk of T2D.

"This is the first study to draw clear dose-response relationships between different sugar sources and type 2 diabetes risk," said lead author Karen Della Corte, nutritional science professor at BYU.

"It highlights why drinking your sugar - whether from soda or juice - is more problematic for health than eating it," she explained. What Liquid Sugar Does to Your Body The issue lies in the way these drinks deliver sugar. Sugary drinks and fruit juices contain isolated sugars that hit the bloodstream fast and overload the liver. This can increase liver fat and trigger insulin resistance. "This study underscores the need for even more stringent recommendations for liquid sugars such as those in sugar-sweetened beverages and fruit juice, as they appear to harmfully associate with metabolic health," added Della Corte.



Mutton Gola Kebabs Recipe

Ingredients

750 gms mutton mince 70 g mutton fat/2 tbsp butter 1.5 tbsp ginger paste 1.5 tbsp garlic paste 1 tbsp raw papaya paste 1.5 tsp salt 1 tsp red chilli powder 1 tsp chaat masala 1 tsp coriander powder 1 tsp garam masala 1 tsp cumin powder 0.5 tsp turmeric powder 2 tbsp gram flour (roasted) 1 tbsp cornflour 2 medium golden fried onions coriander leaves Mint leaves 4-5 green chillies 1 lemon juice 1 Charcoal Oil for frying Onion rings and fried green chillies for garnishing

How to Make Mutton Gola Kebabs

1. Take an electric grinder and add mutton mince, mutton fat (or butter), ginger paste, garlic paste, raw papaya paste, all the powdered spices, fried onions, roasted gram flour, cornflour, coriander leaves, mint leaves, green chillies, and lemon juice. 2. Fine grind all the ingredients and transfer it to a bowl. 3. Place a piece of foil on the kebab mix and add a hot coal on it. Drizzle oil and it will immediately smoke up. Cover with a lid for 15 minutes so that it absorbs the smoky flavour. 4. Now shape the kebabs by first making round balls of kebab and then inserting a skewer. Give it an oval shape and then remove the skewer. 5. Heat oil in a pan and fry the kebabs from all sides until golden brown. 6. Garnish it with onion rings, fried green chillies and serve with lemon wedges.



What To Eat Before Your Period To Avoid Mood Swings

1. Leafy Green Vegetables Leafy greens like spinach, kale, fenugreek, etc, are rich in magnesium – a mineral that plays an important role in brain function and mood regulation. As per a research article published in the National Library of Medicine, magnesium can help alleviate symptoms of premenstrual syndrome (PMS), including mood swings and irritability. So, leafy greens can help you balance your mood! 2. Fatty Fish Omega-3 is known for its anti-inflammatory properties and positive effects on mental health, according to a 2022 research paper published in The Journal of Obstetrics and Gynaecology. Fish such as salmon, mackerel, and sardines are high in omega-3 fatty acids and an excellent source. Moreover, Omega-3s have been linked to reduced symptoms of depression and may help manage mood swings associated with PMS. 3. Nuts and Seeds Almonds, walnuts, flaxseeds, and pumpkin seeds are great sources of essential fatty acids and magnesium. As mentioned above, these nutrients support neurotransmitter function, which can help stabilize mood and reduce PMS symptoms. 4. Whole Grains Whole grains like brown rice, quinoa, and oats will provide you with complex carbohydrates that can increase serotonin levels in the brain, promoting a sense of well-being and reducing mood swings.

‘A Whole Army’: Cummins Credits Team Culture As Australia Eye Test Mace At Lord’s

New Delhi: As Australia prepares for a shot at winning back-to-back World Test Championship (WTC) titles, skipper Pat Cummins believes it’s not just individual brilliance but collective resilience that has defined his side’s success over the last two years. With the final set to take place at the historic Lord’s Cricket Ground against South Africa, Cummins is clear-eyed about what’s brought his team this far: trust, composure, and a belief in shared responsibility. “It takes a whole army really,” Cummins told



cricket.com.au, acknowledging the efforts of not just the 15-plus players who have featured in this WTC cycle, but also the backroom staff. “There’s a real trust and calmness in the group

who have stepped up and really made a name for themselves. There’s a real trust and calmness in the group that comes from having success over the last couple of years. The Christchurch victory, with Alex Carey getting 98 not out, we had no right to win that match, but we found a way. And last summer, the MCG was one of the great Test matches – late on day five, out of nowhere, we found a way of winning. “When the moments get tense yeah there’s a real want for players to stand up and a real trust from others that they will.” Australia’s unbeaten run

in Test series over this cycle includes away victories in Sri Lanka and New Zealand, the retention of the Ashes in England, and home series wins against Pakistan and India. These results have set up a golden chance to make history: no team has yet defended the WTC mace. While Cummins ranks the 2023 ODI World Cup win in India as his “number one” achievement, he places the WTC title just behind: “The mace means a lot. It shows you’ve been the best over years, across conditions. It’s something we can point to now and be proud of for a long time.”

India’s 2025 Home Schedule Revamped: Eden Gardens, Delhi Swap Test Matches

New Delhi: The Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) has unveiled updates to the 2025 international home season schedule, introducing key venue shifts for Test, ODI, and T20I matches. Among the major changes, the much-anticipated 2nd Test against the West Indies has been relocated from Kolkata’s Eden Gardens to the Arun Jaitley Stadium in New Delhi. Conversely, the 1st Test against South Africa, initially slated for Delhi, will now take place at Eden Gardens. The revamp also extends to the women’s ODI series



against Australia, with matches originally planned for Chennai now being moved to Chandigarh and Delhi due to pitch and outfield renovations at MA Chidambaram Stadium. Additionally, modifications have been made to outh Africa’s

tour of India, shifting the one-day matches from M. Chinnaswamy Stadium to Saurashtra Cricket Association Stadium in Rajkot. The international season will commence with India facing West Indies in a Test match in Ahmedabad on October 2, 2025.

Cuttack Barabati Stadium To Host India-South Africa T20I Opener On Dec 9

Bhubaneswar: International cricket is set to return to Odisha after a three-year hiatus, with the Barabati Stadium in Cuttack scheduled to host the opening T20 International of the India-South Africa series on December 9, 2025. The fixture, confirmed by the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) on Monday, marks a significant update to the revised home season calendar. The day-night encounter, beginning at 7 pm, will be the first of a five-match T20I series, followed by games in New Chandigarh (Dec 11), Dharamsala (Dec 14), Lucknow (Dec 17), and Ahmedabad (Dec 19). The BCCI’s revised schedule also includes venue changes for multiple fixtures across the men’s and women’s cricket calendar. Notably, the women’s ODI series against Australia has been relocated from Chennai to New Chandigarh and Delhi due to renovation work at MA Chidambaram Stadium. Additionally, the South Africa A one-dayers will now be held in Rajkot, while some Tests involving South Africa and the West Indies have also seen venue

Cristiano Ronaldo Confirms Stay at Al-Nassr Amid Speculation



NEW DELHI: Cristiano Ronaldo has officially confirmed his commitment to Al-Nassr for the upcoming season, putting an end to weeks of speculation regarding his future. The Portuguese superstar made the announcement after leading his national team to victory in the UEFA Nations League. Rumours had been circulating that Ronaldo might seek a move away from the Saudi Pro League, with reports linking him to clubs in Europe and potential offers from the Club World Cup contenders. However, the five-time Ballon d’Or winner dismissed any notions of an exit, stating that he is focused on his current club and determined to continue his winning streak with Al-Nassr. With Ronaldo staying, Al-Nassr fans can expect another season of top-tier performances from their captain as the team sets its sights on domestic and international success.

FIH Hockey Pro League: India Go Down Fighting 2-3 Against The Netherlands

Amstelveen: The Indian Men’s Hockey Team went down fighting 2-3 against the Netherlands in a thrilling FIH Hockey Pro League 2024/25 (Men’s) at the Wagener Hockey Stadium in Amstelveen, Netherlands. Abhishek (20’) and Jugraj Singh (54’) netted a goal each for India, while Thijs van Dam (24’), Tjep Hoedemakers (33’), and Jip Janssen (57’) were the goalscorers for the Netherlands.



India began the first quarter with a clear intent to control the game, maintaining possession and

executing quick passes to penetrate the opposition’s defence early on. In the sixth minute, forward Abhishek nearly put India ahead when he found space inside the D and unleashed a powerful shot that narrowly missed the

target. The Netherlands responded with a switch to counter-attacking play, creating a few scoring chances of their own. However, the Indian defence held firm under pressure, calmly absorbing the attacks while continuing to challenge the Dutch

backline at the other end. Despite the fast-paced, end-to-end action, the opening quarter ended goalless. The second quarter saw the Netherlands ramp up their intensity, adopting a more aggressive approach and nearly taking the lead with two close chances in quick succession. But India remained composed, sticking to their possession-based strategy and dictating the tempo through midfield control. The visitors also won their first penalty corner of the match, but Harmanpreet

Singh’s shot was deflected out. India’s persistence finally paid off when Abhishek (20th), playing his milestone 100th international match, broke free from his marker and finished clinically after receiving a perfectly timed pass from Shilana and Lakra, giving India a 1-0 lead. However, the advantage was short-lived as just four minutes later, Dutch skipper Thierry Brinkman showcased his class with a dazzling run into the circle before setting up Thijs van Dam (24’), who calmly slotted the ball home to make it 1-1.

Shooting WC: Air Rifle Women, Air Pistol Men In Focus As Stage Set For First Two Finals In Munich

Munich: The first two finals, the women’s 10m air rifle (ARW) and the men’s 10m air pistol (APM), are set to be played out on competition day one of the season’s third International Shooting Sport Federation (ISSF) World Cup (Rifle/Pistol) stage in Munich’s Olympic Shooting range on Tuesday, with as many as three shooters looking to make their World Cup debuts for India in the two events. The National Rifle Association of India (NRAI) had declared a



22-member Indian team for the Munich World Cup with double-Olympic medallist Manu Bhaker and Kiran Ankush Jadhav shooting in two individual events. Elimination and qualifications to four of

the 10 events on the Munich roster begin at 12.30 PM Indian Standard Time (IST) with the two finals scheduled for 5.00 pm IST (ARW) and 9.00 PM IST (APM), respectively. India will field as many

as three World Cup debutants in the two medal events of the opening day, with national champion Ananya Naidu in the women’s event and Aditya Malra and Nishant Rawat in the men’s event, starting for the first time at this level. Arya Borse, the second Indian air rifle shooter, is also in her first senior year but has been in great form, making one individual final and winning two mixed team silver medals in the year’s first two World Cup stages at Buenos Aires and Lima, respectively.

Carlos Alcaraz Defends Roland-Garros 2025 Title in Epic Comeback Against Jannik Sinner

NEW DELHI: In a match destined for the history books, defending champion Carlos Alcaraz staged a thrilling comeback at the Roland Garros final, saving three championship points to force a decisive fifth set against Jannik Sinner. The high-stakes battle on Court Philippe-Chatrier has captivated tennis fans worldwide, with both players fighting for their first-ever five-set Grand Slam final victory. Sinner, the World No. 1, initially dominated the final, winning the first two



sets 6-4, 7-6(4). His aggressive baseline play and composed approach put him on the brink of victory. However, Alcaraz, renowned for his resilience, fought back, claiming the third and fourth sets 6-4, 7-6(3) in a dramatic turn of events. The match reached a fever pitch in

the fourth set when Sinner held three championship points at 3-5, 0/40, only for Alcaraz to survive each one, demonstrating his champion’s mettle. The Spaniard then turned the tide, breaking Sinner’s serve before dominating the tie-break to keep his title hopes alive.

Portugal, Ronaldo Lift Second UEFA Nations League Title With Penalty-Shootout Win Vs Spain

Munich: Cristiano Ronaldo broke down into tears as he watched Portugal become the first nation to win the UEFA Nations League twice, edging Spain 5-3 on penalties following a thrilling 2-2 draw in Munich. The Portuguese striker

scored his side’s second equaliser before having to go off the field with an injury. In a frenetic final, both sides showed attacking intent from the outset. João Neves fired narrowly wide inside five minutes, while Spain responded with near

misses from Pedri and Nico Williams. The breakthrough came in the 21st minute when Martin Zubimendi tapped home after Portugal failed to clear Lamine Yamal’s cross. Portugal hit back quickly. Nuno Mendes, engaged in a fascinating

duel with Yamal, surged past Oscar Mingueza and rifled home his first international goal just five minutes later to restore parity. Spain regained the lead on the stroke of half-time through Mikel Oyarzabal, who latched onto Pedri’s

perfectly-timed pass and clipped a composed finish beyond Diogo Costa to make it 2-1. The second half saw Portugal grow into the game following the introduction of Rúben Neves and Nelson Semedo. Their

pressure paid off just after the hour mark when Cristiano Ronaldo, scoring his 938th career goal, volleyed in Nuno Mendes’ deflected cross to level the scores again at 2-2. Despite Ronaldo limping off late in regulation time,

Portugal pressed in extra time. Semedo scuffed a good chance wide, and Rafael Leao’s pace troubled Spain’s defence. Diogo Jota’s late header was the closest either side came to a winner. The drama continued into the penalty shoot-out.

Both sides converted their first three spot-kicks before Diogo Costa dived to his right to deny Álvaro Morata. Ruben Neves then stepped up and smashed in the decisive penalty to secure Portugal’s second Nations League title.

NTPC Talcher Thermal Concludes Girl Empowerment Mission 2025 with Grand Community Celebration

Talcher, (correspondent): Talcher Thermal Power Project (TTPS) successfully concluded the Girl Empowerment Mission (GEM) 2025 on 8th June with a vibrant cultural showcase and heartfelt participation from the community. The four-week residential initiative empowered 40 girls from nearby villages, nurturing their self-confidence, skills, and dreams for a brighter future. The valedictory ceremony was graced by Shri Vijay Chand, Executive Director & Head of Project,



NTPC Talcher Thermal, as the Chief Guest. Smt. Vibha Agarwal, President, Sagarika Ladies Club, joined the occasion along with NTPC employees, family members, sarpanches from surrounding villages, proud parents, and local villagers who had been vital supporters of the mission. In a colorful display of talent and transformation, the GEM girls presented cultural dances, musical performances, speeches sharing their experiences, as well as

demonstrations of yoga and self-defence techniques. A highlight of the event was a moving street play on gender equality, trained by the expert team from FIZA Arts, which received a standing ovation. Over the course of four weeks, the girls underwent sessions in digital literacy, spoken English, art & craft, health and hygiene, child rights, personality development, and more. The program aimed not only at skill-building but at instilling a deep sense of confidence, discipline, and purpose.

Paradeep Unit Emerges Victorious as IFFCO's 12th Inter Unit Cultural Festival (IUCF) 2025 Concludes with Grand Finale

Paradeep, (correspondent): The 12th Inter Unit Cultural Festival (IUCF) 2025 of Indian Farmers Fertiliser Cooperative Limited (IFFCO) concluded on 08.06.2025 with a grand finale at the Paradeep Unit, Odisha. The week-long celebration, hosted for the first time at Paradeep, culminated in a colourful and emotional closing ceremony graced by Dr. U. S. Awasthi, Managing Director, IFFCO, and Madam Rekha Awasthi, who were the Chief Guests for the evening. The Paradeep Unit was declared the overall winner of the festival - a proud and historic moment for the entire Paradeep family. The victory marked a fitting end to a vibrant week



that showcased the unity, culture, and creative brilliance of IFFCO. In his address, Dr. U. S. Awasthi thanked the Chairman of IFFCO, Shri Dileep Sanghani, for his continuous support and contribution to IFFCO's growth. He began by acknowledging the sacredness of the land, stating, "This is the land of Lord Lingaraj, the Sun Temple, and Lord Jagannath - and it is by their blessings that we are all so fortunate." Dr. Awasthi reflected on the key decision of acquiring the Paradeep Unit. "When I decided to acquire this unit, I was confident that it was essential for the growth of IFFCO and for the nation. Today, I am proud of that

decision," he said. He added that the success of this festival and the strength of the unit stand as testimony to that foresight. He shared the origin of the IUCF, stating, "I started this festival in 2005 so that employees from all IFFCO units could come together, showcase their talent, and build lasting bonds." Encouraging all employees, he said, "Pursue your hobbies alongside your work. If you manage your time well, you can grow professionally and personally." Dr. Awasthi concluded by expressing his heartfelt thanks to everyone who contributed to the success of the IUCF 2025, applauding the dedication and enthusiasm of all participants and organizers.

MSJK Hospital -Transforming healthcare access in rural Lanjigarh

Bhubaneswar: Kalahandi, once known for its struggles with poverty and inadequate healthcare access, is witnessing a quiet revolution in terms of access to healthcare. Among the key drivers of this transformation is the Maa Santoshi Jankalyan (MSJK) Hospital, a beacon of hope for thousands in the once-impooverished district. For decades, communities across this remote region battled health crises with little to no access to medical care. Basic healthcare services were often out of reach, forcing families to travel long distances for treatment - often with devastating consequences. The landscape of healthcare in the region has since evolved, shaped by new avenues of development that have brought

essential services to people's doorsteps. Vedanta's presence in Kalahandi has been pivotal in this journey, bridging the gap between crisis and care through its support for MSJK Hospital, established in the year 2000. The hospital was initially built to serve 8,000 people in 70 villages from four Gram Panchayats, limiting its impact to a few regions. This changed in 2014, when Vedanta began its partnership with the MSJK Hospital, which is around 25 km away from Lanjigarh. Although it remains the only healthcare center in the Bankakundru region, with comprehensive support from Vedanta, the hospital now supports 300 villages across 15 Gram Panchayats, benefitting 25,000 people annually. The

hospital has become a pillar of reassurance, making quality healthcare and essential medical attention a reality in one of the remotest parts of Odisha. But beyond statistics, it is the stories of those whose lives have been touched that truly reflect the impact of this transformation. Mothers who once feared pregnancy due to high maternal mortality rates now find comfort in specialized care. Children who suffered from preventable illnesses now receive regular vaccinations and health check-ups. Individuals battling conditions such as malaria, diarrhoea and sickle cell anaemia - diseases which are prevalent in the region - have a greater fighting chance thanks to the hospital's extensive treatment programs.

Stock Market Ends In Green, Bank Nifty Hits New All-Time High Of 57,000

Mumbai: The Indian stock markets closed in the green on the first trading day of the week, as Bank Nifty hit a new all-time high of 57,000 on Monday, reflecting strong sentiment and momentum in the banking sector. The Sensex ended 256.22 points or 0.31 per cent up at 82,445.21 and

Nifty closed 100.15 points or 0.40 per cent up at 25,103.20. Midcap and smallcap stocks saw a rise compared to largecaps. The Nifty Midcap 100 index was up 664.65 points or 1.13 per cent at 59,674.95 and the Nifty Smallcap 100 index was up 290.95 points or 1.57 per cent

at 18,873.40. On a sectoral basis, auto, IT, PSU banks, financial services, pharma, metal and media indices closed in the green. Only the Nifty Realty index closed in the red. Kotak Mahindra Bank, Bajaj Finance, Axis Bank, Power Grid, IndusInd Bank, Maruti Suzuki, Bajaj Finserv, NTPC,

TCS and Tata Motors were the top gainers in the Sensex pack, while Eternal (Zomato), ICICI Bank, Titan, M&M and Tata Steel were the top losers. Financial stocks extended their rally in the Indian markets, driven by the RBI's supportive aggressive policy of rate and CRR cut.

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NEWDELHI: The government has introduced groundbreaking reforms in Special Economic Zones (SEZ) rules, significantly easing regulations for semiconductor and electronics component manufacturing. These amendments aim to promote high-value investments, recognising the capital-intensive nature and long gestation periods of the sector. The revised SEZ Rules, 2006, now require only 10 hectares of contiguous land for semiconductor and electronics component SEZs, down from the previous 50-hectare mandate.