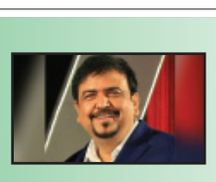
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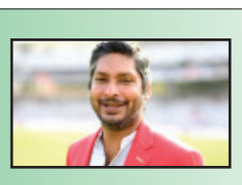
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Sheikh Hasina Sentenced To Death Over Crimes Against Humanity Charges



Dhaka: Bangladesh's International Crimes Tribunal (ICT) on Monday pronounced a death sentence for former Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina after it found her guilty on the charges of crimes against humanity related to the demonstrations in July of last year.The court also convicted Hasina and her two top aides, former Home Minister Asaduzzaman Khan Kamal and former Inspector General of Police, Chowdhury Abdullah Al-Mamun.Mamun has been granted a pardon, but the court said that, given the intensity of the crimes, he will be given a "lenient sentence".The ousted leader's sentencing is awaited as the verdict, consisting of 453 pages, is still being read out.Till now, Hasina has defied the court's orders by refusing to return to the South Asian nation to face trial. Asaduzzaman is currently a fugitive, while Mamun is in custody and has pleaded guilty.Notably, Mamun has become a state witness, making him the first accused to do so since the tribunal was established in 2010.The verdict was being live broadcast by Bangladesh Television (BTV) from the ICT courtroom, where the three-member Tribunal-1, headed by Justice Md Golam Mortuza Majumder, is delivering the judgment.The formal charge documents consist of 8,747 pages, including references, seized evidence, and a comprehensive list of victims, reports leading Bangladeshi daily, The Dhaka Tribune. Prosecutors have charged the accused with five counts, including failure to prevent murder, which constitutes crimes against humanity under Bangladeshi law.

CM Majhi Launches 'Prosperous Odisha, Golden Odisha' Campaign At Brahma Kumaris Golden Jubilee



BHUBANESWAR, (Correspondent): Chief Minister Mohan Charan Majhi on Monday attended the Golden Jubilee celebrations of the Brahma Kumaris Institute at Janata Maidan and officially launched the organisation's "Prosperous Odisha, Golden Odisha" campaign.Addressing the gathering, Majhi said that the 50-year journey of the Brahma Kumaris is "not merely a passage of time, but a journey of awakening humanity, promoting spiritual upliftment, and rendering divine service."He said that a spiritual lifestyle encourages simplicity, humility, and frugality, enabling individuals to use natural resources judiciously. Praising Brahma Kumaris Sister BK Shivani, the Chief Minister said she has earned a prominent place in the country's spiritual sphere due to her "renunciation and spirit of service."Majhi noted that the Brahma Kumaris are helping millions overcome depression, addiction and emotional distress through their focus on stress management and emotional well-being. The organisation is also contributing to women's empowerment and the promotion of social values, he added.The Chief Minister expressed confidence that the Golden Jubilee would mark the beginning of a global movement, spreading the message of world peace from Mount Abu to New York and from Nairobi to London. He said coordinated efforts by the state government and the Brahma Kumaris would bring "meaningful and positive change" to society.Highlighting the relevance of Raj Yoga and meditation in public administration, Majhi said these practices instill discipline and compassion—qualities essential for good governance."When the administration functions with empathy, people develop trust, strengthening the moral fabric of society," he said, adding that the government aims to make Odisha prosperous and developed by 2036.Law, Works and Excise Minister Prithviraj Harichandan, who was present at the event, said the Brahma Kumaris have been working for five decades to reform society and foster peace and harmony.The programme was attended by Ekamra Bhubaneswar MLA Babu Singh, former minister Arabinda Dhali, Sister BK Shivani, Dr. Banarasi Bhai, Shaktiraj Bhai and Gita Didi of the Brahma Kumaris Bhubaneswar branch.

Delhi Blast: NIA Arrests One More Aide

New Delhi: Continuing with its probe in the Red Fort area car bomb blast case, the National Investigation Agency (NIA) has arrested another key associate who provided technical support to the terrorists involved in the blast, an official said.Jasir Bilal Wani alias Danish, also a Kashmir resident, was arrested from Srinagar in Jammu & Kashmir by an NIA team that was in the Valley in the case RC-21/2025/NIA/DLI.The NIA investigations have revealed that Jasir had allegedly provided technical support for carrying out terror attacks by modifying drones and attempting to make rockets ahead of the deadly car bomb blast, which killed 10 people and left 32 people injured.

16th Finance Commission Submits Report to President Murmu for 2026-2031



New Delhi: In a significant development under the Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav celebrations, the Sixteenth Finance Commission (XVIFC) has submitted its comprehensive report to the President of India, outlining fiscal recommendations for the period from 2026-27 to 2030-31.The report, prepared in line with Article 280 of the Constitution, addresses key aspects of resource sharing between the Union and States, aiming to strengthen India's federal financial framework.Led by Chairman Dr Arvind Panagariya, the Commission presented the report to President Droupadi Murmu at Rashtrapati Bhavan. Accompanying the Chairman were members Smt. Annie George Mathew, Dr Manoj Panda, Shri T. Rabi Sankar, and Dr Soumyakanti Ghosh, along with Secretary Shri Ritvik Pandey. Following the submission, the team also shared copies with Prime Minister Narendra Modi and the Union Finance Minister.As per the Terms of Reference (ToR), the XVIFC was tasked with recommending the distribution of net tax proceeds between the Centre and States, inter-State allocations, grants-in-aid to States, and strategies for financing disaster management initiatives. The Commission conducted extensive consultations with the Union Government, State Governments, local bodies, previous Finance Commission members, eminent academic institutions, multilateral organisations, its Advisory Council, and domain experts.The report is structured in two volumes: Volume I contains the core recommendations aligned with the ToR, while Volume II includes supporting annexures. It will be placed in the public domain once tabled in Parliament by the Union Finance Minister, as mandated under Article 281.This submission marks a crucial step in shaping India's fiscal policy for the next five years, ensuring equitable resource distribution and resilience against disasters.

No OTP System Exists In SIR Process, Clarifies ECI

Kolkata: The Election Commission of India (ECI), on Monday, has clarified that neither the commission nor the office of the Chief Electoral Officer (CEO) of any state ever asks for any one-time password (OTP) in any mobile number for the work related to the ongoing special intensive revision (SIR) conducted in 12 Indian states and Union Territories, including West Bengal.

Popular Odia Singer Humane Sagar Passes Away



BHUBANESWAR, (Correspondent): Popular Odia playback singer Humane Sagar passed away on Monday evening while undergoing treatment at the All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), Bhubaneswar. He was 36.According to Dr. Srikant Behera, Intensivist and ECMO Specialist at AIIMS, Humane Sagar's multi-organ dysfunction syndrome did not respond to aggressive and advanced treatment provided by a team of specialist doctors. The singer breathed his last at 9 pm.Humane Sagar was admitted to AIIMS emergency on October 14 at 1.10 pm in a critical state. He was later moved to the Medical ICU for further evaluation. Doctors confirmed that he was suffering from multi-organ dysfunction syndrome, acute-on-chronic liver failure, bilateral pneumonia, and dilated cardiomyopathy with severe left ventricular systolic dysfunction.

India–UK Joint Military Exercise 'AJEYA WARRIOR-25' Commences in Rajasthan

NEWDELHI:The eighth edition of the India–UK Joint Military Exercise "AJEYA WARRIOR-25" began today at the Foreign Training Node, Mahajan Field Firing Ranges in Rajasthan.The 14-day bilateral exercise will run from November 17 to November 30, 2025.The exercise brings together 240 personnel, equally representing the Indian Army and the British Army. Troops of the Sikh Regiment represent India.Conducted under a United Nations mandate, the exercise focuses on counter-terrorism operations in semi-urban environments. Training includes joint mission planning at the Brigade level, integrated tactical drills, simulation-based scenarios, and company-level field exercises replicating real-life counter-terror contingencies.The exercise aims to share best practices, enhance tactical proficiency, and develop coordinated responses for complex operations in challenging environments.

Since its inception in 2011, AJEYA WARRIOR has been held biennially. Over the years, it has evolved into a flagship engagement between the Indian Army and the British Army. The 2025 edition reinforces shared values of professionalism, cooperation, and commitment to regional stability and global peace.

45 Pilgrims From Hyderabad Killed In Saudi Bus Tragedy: Police Commissioner

Hyderabad: As many as 45 Umrah pilgrims from Hyderabad died when a bus carrying them caught fire after a collision with an oil tanker near Madina in Saudi Arabia.Hyderabad Police Commissioner V.C. Sajjanar told media persons that, as per the information received, one pilgrim, Mohammed Abdul Shoaib, survived and was undergoing treatment at a hospital.He said a group of 54 pilgrims from Hyderabad had left for Jeddah on November 9 and were scheduled to return on November 23.After performing 'Umrah' (mini pilgrimage) in Mecca, the pilgrims left for Medina on Sunday night. When the bus was about 25 km away from Medina, it caught fire after colliding with an oil tanker."Four pilgrims had stayed back in Mecca while four others left for Medina in a car. The bus was carrying 46 pilgrims," he said.The victims include 17 males, 18 females and 10 children. Most of the pilgrims were from Asif Nagar, Jhirra, Mehdipatnam and Toli Chowki areas of Hyderabad.Minister for minority welfare Mohammed Azharuddin said, as per the information received, 47-48 people died in the accident.He said a control room has been opened at Haj House to provide information to families of the victims.The minister said the government would make arrangements to send at least one person from every family of the deceased. The government will arrange passports if those who want to travel do not have passports. Azharuddin said the bodies were charred beyond recognition. A DNA test is also likely to be conducted to identify the victims.He said he spoke to the Indian Counsel General, who told him arrangements would be made for the burial of the victims in Saudi Arabia.

Bihar: Lalan Singh, Sanjay Jha Visit Delhi Ahead Of Govt Formation

Patna: As the NDA intensifies preparations for the swearing-in ceremony in Patna, a sudden political development late Monday night sparked speculation.Union Minister Rajiv Ranjan Singh alias Lalan Singh and JDU Working President Sanjay Jha unexpectedly left for Delhi on a chartered flight.Sources indicate that both senior JDU leaders were summoned to Delhi by the BJP high command.



Their sudden departure has triggered questions about whether any last-minute hurdles have emerged in the formation of the new government.However, neither Lalan Singh nor Sanjay Jha commented when questioned by media personnel at Patna Airport.

Meanwhile, government formation efforts in Bihar are moving rapidly. The NDA legislature party meeting will be held on November 19, during which the alliance will formally elect its leader.Nitish Kumar is expected to resign the same day, after which the 17th Bihar Legislative Assembly will be dissolved.On November 20, the swearing-in ceremony will take place at Gandhi Maidan.The event is set to be a grand celebration, with Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Union Ministers, Chief Ministers from various states, Deputy Chief Ministers, and several prominent personalities expected to attend.Bihar BJP State President Dilip Jaiswal said preparations are underway on a "war footing."Earlier on Monday, the final meeting of the cabinet under the chairmanship of Chief Minister Nitish Kumar was held at the cabinet secretariat.During the cabinet meeting, two Deputy Chief Ministers, Samrat Choudhary and Vijay Kumar Sinha, were also present.The cabinet meeting lasted just 15 minutes and approved three proposals.After the meeting, Nitish Kumar visited Raj Bhavan along with Deputy Chief Minister Samrat Chaudhary and Parliamentary Affairs Minister Vijay Kumar Chaudhary to submit the cabinet's recommendations to Governor Arif Mohammad Khan.Nitishspent around 22 minutes at Raj Bhavan before returning to his residence.He held further discussions with senior party leaders, adding to the political buzz created by the sudden Delhi visit of key JDU leaders.

Tribal Pride Day: Delhi Assembly Honours Over 200 Visitors From Maoist-Hit Districts

New Delhi: Paying tributes on the 150th Jayanti of Bhagwan Birsa Munda, Delhi Assembly Speaker Vijender Gupta on Monday called for renewing the commitment to build an inclusive India that honours diversity and protects its environment.Speaking at a commemoration programme held on the occasion of 150th Jayanti of Bhagwan Birsa Munda at the Delhi Legislative Assembly, Gupta said, "As we celebrate 150th Jayanti of Bhagwan Birsa Munda let us renew our commitment to building an India that honours diversity, protects its environment, and ensures that the poorest and most marginalised find their rightful place in our national journey."The Speaker described Birsa Munda as a timeless symbol of courage whose legacy continues to guide India's collective conscience.Under the Mera Yuva Bharat (MY Bharat) initiative of the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Government of India, 200 youth and 20 officers from CRPF, BSF and ITBP representing eight Naxal-affected districts, mainly Bastar, Kanker, Narayanpur, West Singhbhum, Balaghat, Kandhamal, Kalahandi and Gadchiroli of Chhattisgarh, Madhya Pradesh, Jharkhand, Odisha and Maharashtra, visited the Delhi Legislative Assembly and shared their Delhi Tour experiences.The event was graced by Delhi Cabinet Minister Ashish Sood as the Chief Guest, Deputy Speaker Mohan Singh Bisht and MLA Sanjay Goyal.The participants expressed great joy at the opportunity to explore the national capital, witness its modern infrastructure and experience its vibrant cultural and political environment.

India Is An Emerging Model Of Growth: PM Modi

New Delhi: Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Monday said that India is not only an emerging market, but an emerging model—a country that is a model of hope for the world, with its economy continuing on the high growth path despite the global challenges. Speaking at the Ramnath Goenka lecture here, the Prime Minister said, "Although the past four to five years have brought significant global challenges, India has continued to sustain a high growth rate."

PM Modi noted that India has clocked steady economic growth that has touched around 7 per cent despite the disruptions in supply chains caused due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the Russia-Ukraine war and the West Asia geopolitical crisis.He pointed out that the 'Indian growth model' was now being held up as an example for the whole world.The Prime Minister further stated that over the last 11 years, the government has brought as many as 94 crore people under the social security cover compared to the mere 25 crore of the country's citizens that were getting benefits under government schemes until 2014.He also pointed out that over 28 crore people have been lifted out of poverty through the government's programmes, such as the launch of Jan Dhan accounts for the poor who had been neglected all these years.PM Modi also highlighted that his government had taken up the development of the 100 poorest districts in the country, which had been declared "Backward Districts" and completely ignored by the erstwhile UPA government.

Delhi Riots 'Larger Conspiracy' Case: SC To Hear ToDAY Delhi Police Arguments

New Delhi: The Supreme Court is slated to resume hearing on Tuesday the bail pleas of student leaders Umar Khalid, Sharjeel Imam, Gulfisha Fatima, and other activists accused in the alleged "larger conspiracy" behind the 2020 North East Delhi riots.They remain behind bars under the stringent Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act (UAPA).As per the causelist published on the website of the apex court, a Bench of Justices Aravind Kumar and N.V. Anjaria will hear the submissions of the law officers representing



the Delhi Police on November 18.Opposing the bail pleas of Umar Khalid and Sharjeel Imam, the Delhi Police, in a detailed counter-affidavit filed before the Supreme Court, said that both student activists had premeditated and meticulously coordinated the conspiracy behind the 2020 Delhi riots.Citing chats, witness statements, and call records linking their activities from December 2019 onwards, the affidavit described Umar Khalid as one of the "key conspirators" and a "mentor" to others, including Sharjeel Imam, for mobilising students, creating protest networks, and selecting demonstration sites that allegedly turned violent.As per the Delhi Police, the conspiracy was pre-planned to be executed at the time when US President Donald Trump was to make an official visit to India."This was done to draw the attention of 'international media' and to make the issue of CAA a global issue by portraying it as an act pogrom of the Muslim community in India. The issue of CAA was carefully chosen to serve as a 'radicalising catalyst' camouflaged in the name of 'peaceful protest'," the affidavit said.It called Sharjeel Imam "a top conspirator under the tutelage of Umar Khalid" and said that he engineered the first phase of the Delhi riots between December 13 and December 20, 2019.

Earlier, the Delhi High Court had dismissed the bail pleas of Sharjeel Imam, Umar Khalid and several others accused in the 2020 city riots "larger conspiracy" case.

Bengal Fire Minister's Son-In-Law Appears Before ED In Municipal Recruitment Scam Case

Kolkata: West Bengal Fire Services Minister Sujit Bose's son-in-law, on Monday, appeared before the Enforcement Directorate (ED) officers in connection with the municipal recruitment scam case.



Bose's son-in-law Rahul Singh appeared at the ED's Eastern headquarters located in the CGO Complex in Salt Lake area of Kolkata in the afternoon.There was tight security outside the office since Monday morning.Rahul Singh was present inside the ED office for nearly an hour.ED sources said that several documents of huge financial transactions in the municipal recruitment scam have recently come into the hands of investigators.The Central investigation agency collected those documents by conducting searches in various places in the state.After analysing several documents, bank transaction papers and electronic information recovered during the searches, it is believed that the money from this recruitment scam was used in several businesses of the Minister's family members.In a bid to verify that information, ED sleuths summoned Rahul Singh on Monday.Coming out of the ED office, Rahul Singh told a section of media persons, "Today I came here after being summoned by the officers. I brought the documents that were asked for."However, it may be noted that not only Rahul Singh, the ED has also summoned the state Fire services Minister's wife, son and daughter separately this week.The investigators will also question them at the given date.According to ED sources, notices have already been sent to them.According to sources, they will appear at the CGO complex by this week.The investigating agency said that it is not possible to understand the entire money flow without questioning the State Minister's family members. Therefore, it is important for the investigators to question each family member separately.The ED has been probing the municipal recruitment scam case for a long time.Several people, including businessman Ayan Sil, have been arrested in connection with the case.Based on the information obtained after interrogating them, ED sleuths are gradually getting closer to the root of the scam.Following the investigations, Sujit Bose's name had surfaced in the municipal recruitment scam case.It was alleged that the Minister's name was involved in the recruitment corruption in the South Dum Dum Municipality.

Delhi CM Permits Power Connections In Buildings Penalised For Illegal Construction

New Delhil: Providing major relief to over 1.25 lakh Delhi families, Chief Minister Rekha Gupta on Monday lifted the restrictions on providing electricity connections in buildings that have been issued notices by local bodies for illegal construction and violation of building bye-laws.Following the Chief Minister's approval, the government has issued the official order. This decision will immediately benefit more than 1.25 lakh families in the capital.According to the Chief Minister, under the new order, discoms or private power distribution companies can no longer deny electricity connections merely on the ground that a property has been booked by the Municipal Corporation for unauthorised construction.A connection can be denied only when the Municipal Corporation formally notifies that a property is under demolition or sealing action, she said.The Chief Minister stated that this decision has been taken in the public interest. The Delhi Government is committed to ensuring citizens' fundamental rights and access to essential services under all circumstances.As per the Chief Minister's directions, the Special Secretary of the Power Department has issued the necessary order.The Chief Minister said that the power department had been receiving continuous public complaints stating that the private discoms (power distribution companies) either denied or disconnected electricity connections on the grounds that the concerned properties had been "booked" or issued notices by the Municipal Corporation of Delhi for unauthorised construction.In several such cases, it was found that even years after demolition orders were issued by MCD, no action was taken due to various reasons. The Chief Minister said that now even those properties booked by the Municipal Corporation for unauthorised construction will be eligible to receive electricity connections.He said that lakhs of people have been living in these properties for years, but were deprived of electricity connections only because of the "booked property" status —causing inconvenience and, in many areas, leading to increased electricity theft.She emphasised that depriving consumers of basic facilities is not justified under any circumstances. This order is a significant step towards safeguarding citizens' fundamental rights and bringing more transparency to the system.The Chief Minister further said that the Delhi Government prioritises transparent governance and citizens' right to essential services. Therefore, after reviewing the matter in consultation with the Law Department, it was necessary to ensure that citizens receive legal, safe, and regular electricity supply.

Power Theft undermines Honest Discom Consumers; Enforcement Teams Intensify Crackdown on the Menace

BHUBANESWAR, (Correspondent): Effective enforcement against electricity theft remains central to ensuring reliable, safe and affordable power supply across Odisha. As the state's distribution companies continue modernising infrastructure and enhancing service delivery, curbing power theft has become essential to maintaining system health and ensuring fairness for all consumers.Power theft, whether through illegal hooking, meter tampering or unauthorised usage, continues to be a major driver of distribution losses in several regions. These losses increase the financial strain on the power sector and indirectly impact honest, bill-paying consumers who ultimately bear the burden through higher system costs or delayed service improvements. When miscreants misuse the network, families and businesses that diligently pay their bills are left subsidising unlawful usage, creating an unfair system that penalises responsible behaviour.Illegal and unsafe tapping of electricity also overloads feeders and distribution transformers, resulting in voltage fluctuations, frequent tripping and extended outages that affect entire communities. Such practices place excessive stress on equipment, disrupt daily life and pose serious public safety hazards including the risk of electrocution, fires and widespread equipment damage. These consequences undermine the integrity of the grid and impact even those who comply with the rules.To counter these challenges, Odisha discoms have established a strong and structured enforcement ecosystem supported by dedicated field vigilance teams, women-led enforcement squads and close coordination with local police authorities. These teams conduct regular inspections, deploy technology-enabled monitoring and carry out public awareness efforts aimed at identifying and eliminating illegal or unsafe power use. Their proactive presence has significantly strengthened the state's ability to reduce losses, enhance system stability and protect consumers from disruptions caused by power theft.

KiiT International School's 11th National Children's Literary Festival Begins with Vibrant Opening



Bhubaneswar,(Correspondent):: KiiT International School's much-awaited 11th National Children's Literary Festival (NCLF) 2025 opened on a colourful and spirited note on Saturday, drawing students from across India for a celebration of imagination, creativity, and storytelling. The biggest attraction of the day was acclaimed actor Vikrant Massey, whose presence added excitement and star appeal to the inaugural ceremony.Declaring the festival open, KIIT & KISS Founder Dr. Achyuta Samanta encouraged young participants to embrace curiosity and creativity. "You are the future. You excite us," he told the students, emphasising that the festival was conceived exclusively for children. While India hosts numerous literary festivals, he noted, there were none dedicated solely to young readers and writers when KIIT International School launched its own. "We were the first to have a children's literary festival, and we have made it bigger every year. In 2016, we added 'national' to it because your imagination does not recognise borders," Dr. Samanta said. He urged students to maintain discipline, listen carefully to every speaker, and cultivate the habit of reading and writing. "The internet alone will not help you. That's why we introduced children's literature," he added.Monalisa Bal, Chairperson of KIIT International School and Editor of KloudNine, said the festival holds a "special place" for everyone associated with the institution, as it nurtures creativity and diverse perspectives among young minds.

KISS Parents' Meet Will Now be Held District-Wise



Bhubaneswar, (Correspondent):: Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) has decided to organise its annual parents' meet district-wise for the first time, following a request made by KISS Adivasi Parents' Association (KAPA) during a preparatory meeting held on Sunday on the KISS campus. Representatives of tribal parents from various districts of Odisha participated in the meeting called by the KISS Parents' Association.Every year, lakhs of parents from Odisha and outside the state visit KISS to attend its mega parents' meet. During the preparatory meeting, members of the Parents' Association urged KISS Founder Dr. Achyuta Samanta to conduct the event at the district level instead of holding a single large gathering in Bhubaneswar. Dr. Samanta accepted the proposal and announced that district-wise parents' meetings would be held from December to March.The announcement was warmly welcomed by the members, who expressed happiness that the event would now take place in every district. They also praised Dr. Samanta for his long-standing commitment to tribal development. Starting at the age of 25, Dr. Samanta has devoted 33 years to the upliftment of tribal communities through education, sports and various welfare initiatives, helping KISS grow into a major people's movement.Members of KAPA described Dr. Samanta as a visionary leader and a guiding force for tribal development, recalling that he stepped forward for the cause in 1992–93 when few others paid attention to tribal issues. They noted that he has never burdened any tribal parent with concerns about KISS, which has earned him their unwavering trust. Members also expressed joy after learning that KISS will soon open a branch in Keonjhar district, after Kalahandi, Balangir, Balasore and Mayurbhanj.

Deputy CM Visited Mahendragiri Hills



Paralakhemundi, (Correspondent)- Deputy Chief Minister cum Woman & Child,Mission Shakti & Tourism Minister Prabhati Parida visited epic Mahendragiri hills of Gajapati district. She inaugurated Eco-tourism Resort. Along with her Forest, Environment & Climate Change Minister Ganesh Ramsingh Khuntia & Commerce,Transport, Steel & Mines Minister Bibhuti Bhushan Jena, MLA Paralakhemundi Er. Rupesh Kumar Panigrahi,MLA Mohana Dasarathi Gomango, Collector Gajapati Madhumita, Collector Ganjam VKirti Vashan & DFO KNagaraju were present.Being an epic & mythological heritage with 5 Pandava brothers & Maa Kunti temples are there.Filled with flora & fauna tourists,too, attracted to visit that heritage.So various reforms at that place accoladed from all corners.

IFFCO holds Blood Donation Camp on MD K.J. Patel's Birthday : 152 units of blood collected



Paradip (Correspondent) - A blood donation camp was organized at IFFCO Paradeep Unit to mark the birthday of Managing Director Shri K.J. Patel. Joining as the chief guest, P.K. Mahapatra, Unit Head of IFFCO Paradeep Unit, inaugurated the Blood Donation Camp. Among others, N. R. Nayak, Senior General Manager, K.R.N. Murthy, General Manager, Dr. Puspa Mohanty, Chief Medical Officer, B.K. Parida, D.G.M.(P&A), Sushanta Kumar Jena, President and Satyajit Kuntia, General Secretary of IFFCO Officers' Association, Prasanta Kumar Swain, President and Trupti Ranjan Puhan, General Secretary of IFFCO Employees' Union, and other employees were present.The event saw enthusiastic participation from employees, officers, and many dignitaries and officials who gathered to donate blood, highlighting its vital role as the essence of life. The occasion doubled as a tribute to Shri Patel's birthday, inspiring donors to come forward and contribute towards saving lives. The camp was organized in association with the Central Red Cross Blood Center, Cuttack and total 152 units of blood were been collected in the camp. The camp was a fitting celebration of leadership and IFFCO's commitment to community welfare.

Odisha Guv, LoP Naveen, Dy CMs Condole Passing Of Ollywood Singer Humane Sagar



Bhubaneswar: The Odia music and film industry was left in deep shock on Monday following the untimely demise of popular Ollywood playback singer Humane Sagar at the age of 36.Odisha Governor Dr. Hari Babu Kambhampati, Leader of the Opposition and former Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik, Deputy Chief Minister Kanak Vardhan Singh Deo, and Deputy Chief Minister Pravati Parida expressed their grief over Sagar's passing on social media platform X.Governor Kambhampati wrote, "I am deeply saddened by the passing away of eminent vocalist Humane Sagar. His contribution to the world of Odia music and cinema will always be remembered."LoP Naveen Patnaik wrote, "Deeply saddened to learn of the passing of Humane Sagar. His emotional music touched the hearts of countless listeners. I pray for the eternal peace of his soul and express my condolences to the bereaved family members in this time of grief."Deputy Chief Minister Kanak Vardhan Singh Deo said, "I am deeply saddened by the news of the untimely demise of Odisha's popular singer Humane Sagar. I pray for the eternal peace of his soul and extend my heartfelt condolences to the bereaved family. May God grant his family courage and fortitude in this hour of grief."Deputy Chief Minister Pravati Parida added, "Deeply saddened to hear the news of the passing of popular vocalist Humane Sagar. His passing is an irreparable loss to the art world. Praying for the repose of his departed soul, I extend my condolences to his family in this hour of grief."According to Dr. Srikant Behera of AIIMS Bhubaneswar, Humane Sagar passed away on Monday evening while undergoing treatment at the All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), Bhubaneswar. He had been admitted to the AIIMS emergency department on October 14 at 1.10 pm in a critical condition and was later moved to the Medical ICU.Doctors confirmed that the singer was suffering from multi-organ dysfunction syndrome, acute-on-chronic liver failure, bilateral pneumonia, and dilated cardiomyopathy with severe left ventricular systolic dysfunction. Despite aggressive treatment by a team of specialist doctors, his condition did not improve, and he breathed his last at 9 pm.The sudden demise of Humane Sagar has left a void in the Odia music and film industry, with fans and colleagues mourning the loss of a talented and beloved artist.

Pattamundai Police Arrested Seven Criminals, Pistol, Gold,Arms Seized

Kendrapada(Correspondent): Pattamundai police arrested seven criminals and seized gold, pistol, sword from their custody. When they prepare themselves for crime police arrested them from Pattamundai. Out of nine two of them absconded. Police seized handmade pistol,gold ornaments and swords. Majority of them Pattamundai areas. More than ten criminal offences in their names said SP Sidharth Kataria today in a press conference. Arrested Sanjay Mallik,Kiran Sethi,Ranjit Mallik,Subrat Mallik,Purna Nayak,Trilochan Sahoo today forwarded to the court he said.

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2	Sasi Swain Susanta Kumar Swain Prafulla Kumar Swain /NLAP0094025573/ Berhampur	Land Area A.C. 0.022 Dec. 958.32 Sqft, Ror No- 1397/398, Plot No. 1544, At/Po - Shasan, Belaguntha, Infront of Govt School, Bellaguntha, P.O. Khetribarapur, Dist-Ganjam, Odisha, Pin: 761123. East-House of Bipra Parida, West-Road, South-House of Khadal Parida, North-House of Jhunu Swain	20-05-2025 & Rs.669816/-	14-08-2025

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EDITORIAL

The second best time is now

An old Chinese proverb wisely states, "The best time to plant a tree was twenty years ago. The second best time is now." Indeed, trees are our lifelines, and without them, our world would turn into a barren wasteland devoid of life. Unfortunately, deforestation is leading to widespread desertification. To combat this, it's crucial that we limit deforestation and promote afforestation. We must create awareness about the detrimental effects of deforestation and encourage more tree plantation. Choosing the right plants to grow and seeking guidance from local nurseries or horticultural societies can make a significant difference.

Trees have provided us with two of life's necessities, food, and oxygen, since the beginning. They offered additional necessities, such as shelter, medication, and instruments, as we developed. Today, their importance continues to increase, and as their function expands to meet the needs generated by our modern lifestyles, more benefits of trees are being discovered. Trees are a significant component of any society. Our paths, parks, playgrounds, and backyards are lined with trees that create a calm atmosphere that is aesthetically pleasing. By introducing natural elements and wildlife ecosystems into urban environments, trees improve our quality of life. The heat island effect caused by pavement and commercial buildings is reduced by using trees in cities to deflect the sunlight. By removing dust and absorbing other contaminants such as carbon monoxide, sulphur dioxide, and nitrogen dioxide, the trees, shrubs, and turf even filter air.

By supplying oxygen, enhancing air quality, climate improvement, water protection, soil preservation, and encouraging biodiversity, trees contribute to their environment. Via moderating the effects of the sun, rain, and wind, they control the climate. By offering a screen from harsh wind, trees often maintain warmth. They protect us from the downfall of rain, sleet, and hail, in addition to affecting wind speed and direction.

Trees also lower air temperatures and, by maintaining low levels of carbon dioxide, reduce the heat intensity of the greenhouse effect. Both above and below ground, for both the eco-systems in which they live, trees are important. Far-reaching roots retain soil and prevent erosion. Trees absorb and accumulate rainwater during storms, which reduces runoff and sediment deposits. This helps to recharge the groundwater supply, prevents pollutants from being transported into waterways, and prevents floods. Fallen leaves make excellent soil-enriching compost. Many species consume leaves for nourishment, including elephants, koalas, and giraffes.

Sri Sathya Sai Baba on World Peace



Er. Sachidananda Nanda

Now a days, we find utlessness and chaos all around us. People are trging their best to find ways to be free from chaos and have peace of mind. Many saints and seas are also praying God for the ustoretion of peace in the world. Sri Sathya Sai Baba, the Avatar of the age, has shown the ways and means by following which, man caw attain peace. According his observation people desire a pleasant time, a good position and a happy life. But none attempts to attain sagaity wisdom and character, Very rightly he has said.

Today man is devoid of peace and happiness. How is it that man endowed with a precious and rare life, a soft heart, a sweet mind and valuable time is unable to enjoy the benefits of these valuable possessions and enjoy peace. Unaware of his from potential, man becomes narrow minded, selfish and suffers from lack of mental peace. Imfact, he is being gobbled by the demon of selfishness. Ancient man led a very peaceful and happy life. Restlessness of mind was alien to him because he adhered to truth and lighteousness Srimad Bhagabat Gita Says, "As is the fire, so is the smoke; as is the smoke, so is the cloud; as is the cloud, so is the rain; as the rain, so is the crop; as is the crop, so is the food and as is the food, so is the mind. Man's habit of eating and drinking today is not proper. Man has lost it's true ornament, character, which is the main reason for all his sufferings and misery. Man assigns value to everything in this world, but he is unable to recognise his own value. He has to realise the value of human life. God does not inside in paradise of Kailasa. These are his temporary cawping stations. The true dwelling place of God is the heart of man. Human birth has not been gifted to man merely to indulge in worldly pleasures. Now of the Worldly pleasures is capable of confering true satisfaction. They only increase the desires more and more. Therefore man should give up worldly desires.

Man must sow the seeds of love in loveless hearts. He should water it with love. The love should flow in hood and reach all. Man should cultivate pure, steady, and unselfish love. Modern man directs his love towards worldly objects and gets entangled in several complications. Baba says "Love lives by giving and forgiving and self lives by geting and forgetting. Selfish love is like the foul smell of fish. Selfless love must be cultivated. Let others feel and think as they like. In this world things, good and bad, come and go. World devoid of happiness and musery cannot exit. Pleasure is an interval between two pains. How can one feel pleasure if he has never felt the pain ? Meet all contingenees with love. Transform everything into love and suffuse your lives with love. Then there shall be peace and stability in the world. The above prescrkiption of Bhagaban Baba if followed, the result as assaned is guaranted.

In an occasion, Baba said "Human race is highly sacred. It is a sigh of gnorance to give room for difference and conflict without understanding the unity of human race. Man has to recognise the divinity in man as the basis of human unity. The ancient culture of Bharat lays great emphasis on understanding this unity in diversity. This is possible only through love. Love is the true from of God. All are the sparks of Divinity. One should share his love with his fellow beings just as God shares his love with all his children. Love is very sacred. When all will follow this sacred path the world will undoubtful attain peace and prosperity.

Help Ever Hurt Never



Smt. Bijayalaxmi Satpathy

Divinity is latent in everyone but we are not making any effort to realise it because we are deeply engrossed in worldly matters. We are the embodiment of pure, unsullied, true and eternal Atma. Experience this reality. Discharge our duties keeping this truth in view. Help ever, hurt never. This is the essence of the Vedas and sacred texts such as the Bible, the Bhagavad Gita and the Quran. All these holy texts speak of the same fundamental truth.

It is a mistake to entertain differences based on religion. There is only one religion, the religion of love. There is only one caste, the caste of humanity. There is only one language, the language of the heart.

Serve the whole world. Understand the truth that we are born to serve society. Do not lead a selfish life amassing wealth. Do not be satisfied by filling your own belly; understand that there are millions in the world who are hungry and suffering. Our life will be sanctified only when you help the poor, the sick and the downtrodden. That is true spirituality. Serve people with no thought of high or low; no Seva is high, no Seva is low, each act of Seva is equal in the eye of the Lord. It is the readiness, the joy, the efficiency, the skill with which we rush to do it that matters. Train ourselves to serve God by serving man, in whom there is God installed in the heart. Convince ourself that the seva of man is worship of God.

Efforts to serve must spring from agony at the suffering of others and the service must be genuine effort to get rid of that anguish. Do not worry about the result. Help as much as we can, as efficiently as we can, as silently as you can, as lovingly as we can, leave the rest to God, who gave we the chance to server. We should make every effort to avoid harming others in any circumstance. We are only hurting ourself when we hurt others. we should not use harsh words. When we develop human values, we can be free from diseases and even enjoy good health with God's Grace.

Ahimsa, the virtue of non-violence involves much more than abstention from injuring living beings. One should desist from causing pain to any living being not only by his deeds but even by his words and even in his thoughts. One should not entertain any idea of hurting or humiliating another.

Service to man will help our divinity to bloom, for it will gladden our heart and make us feel that life has been worthwhile. Service to man is service to God. For He is in every man and every living being and in every stone and stump. Offer our talents at the Feet of God; let every act be a flower, free from creeping worms of envy and egoism and full of fragrance of love and sacrifice. Spirituality is a way of life. It is not something separate from life. That should be our way of life. In order to acquire a worldly degree, We need to study various subjects. But in spirituality there is only one subject, and that is love. Be a humble devotee and render humble service. That is the true human quality.

LOOKING BEYOND MYTHS - UNDERSTANDING EPILEPSY



Dr.Pradyut Ranjan Bhuyan

Epilepsy is one of the most common neurological disorders. It is a chronic noncom municabledisease of the brain that affects more than 50 million people worldwide and mostof them reside in developing countries. With a conservative estimate of 1% as prevalence ofepilepsy, there are more than 12 million persons with epilepsy (PWE) in India, which contributesto nearly one-sixth of the global burden. When it comesto Epilepsy in women, about a sixth of women in theworld are living in India. It is estimated that there areabout 2.73 million women in India with epilepsy and52% of them are in thereproductive (15-49 years) agegroup. By conservative estimates, there are threemillion people with drug resistant epilepsy (DRE) andone million potential candidates for epilepsy surgery(ES) in India.

According to the data from Kerala Registry of Epilepsyand Pregnancy (KREP) indicate that anemia, ovariancyst and fibroid uterus, and spontaneous abortions aremore frequent in women with Epilepsy. It has beenobserved that the peak of incidence of epilepsy is seenduring the 1st year of life and in persons aged morethan 74 years. Some children develop epilepsy as aresult of their brain being injured in some way. Thiscould be due to difficulties at birth, or an infectionwhich affects the brain. In young children, developmentcan be delayed due to uncontrolled seizures. The mostcommon type of seizure in children is the febrileseizure, which occurs when an infection associated witha high fever develops.

Epilepsy Risk Factor

- o Stress
- o Sleep deprivation or fatigue
- o Insufficient food intake
- o Alcohol use or drug abuse
- " Failure to take prescribed anticonvulsantMedications.
- " Premature birth or low birth weight
- " Trauma during birth (such as lack of oxygen)
- " Seizures in the first month of life
- " Abnormal brain structures at birth
- " Bleeding into the brain
- " Abnormal blood vessels in the brain
- " Serious brain injury or lack of oxygen to thebrain
- " Brain tumors
- " Infections of the brain suchas meningitis or encephalitis
- " Stroke resulting from blockage of arteries
- " Cerebral palsy
- " Mental disabilities
- " Seizures occurring within days after head injury
- " Family history of epilepsy or fever-relatedseizures
- " Alzheimer's disease (late in the illness)
- " Lengthy fever-related (febrile) seizures
- " Alcohol or drug abuse

Dr.NAME,says, "Epilepsy is characterized by recurrent seizures,which are brief episodes of involuntary movement that may involve a part of the body (partial) orthe entire body (generalized) and are sometimes accompanied by loss of consciousness andcontrol of bowel or bladder function. However it is important to note that one seizure does notsignify epilepsy (up to 10% of people worldwide have one seizure during their lifetime). Epilepsyis defined as having two or more unprovoked seizures."

Fear, misunderstanding, discrimination and social stigma have surrounded epilepsy for centuries.This stigma continues in many countries today and can impact on the quality of life for peoplewith the disease and their families A doctor makes a diagnosis based on symptoms, physical signsand the results of tests such as an electroencephalogram (EEG), computed tomography (CT orCAT scan) or magnetic resonance imaging (MRI)." adds Dr.NAME,

Epilepsy is not contagious. The most common type ofepilepsy, which affects 6 out of 10 people with the disease,is called idiopathic epilepsy and has no identifiable cause.While Epilepsy with a known cause is called secondaryepilepsy, or symptomatic epilepsy.Seizures can be controlled using drugs. Up to 70% ofpeople living with epilepsy could become seizure free withappropriate use of anti-seizure medicines. Furthermore, after 2-5 years of successful treatmentand being seizure-free, drugs can be withdrawn in about 70% of children and 60% of adultswithout subsequent relapse. In low- and middle-income countries, however there is lot oftreatment gap as about three quarters of people with epilepsy may not receive the treatmentthey need.

Prevent Epilepsy

- " Take your medicine
- " Talk with your doctor or nurse when you have questions
- " Recognize seizure triggers (such as flashing or bright lights)
- " Keep a record of your seizures
- " Get enough sleep
- " Lower stress

Myths and Facts

Myth: Fits are due to incarceration with evil spirits.
Fact: fits are a medical disease which can be treated with medication.
Myth: These patients are possessed by God.
Fact: Patients behave in an uncontrollable manner during a seizure, but this is not an expression of supernatural powers. They should be given medical treatment and treated like any other human being.
Myth: Never touch a patient having a seizure. The disease will be passed on to you.
Fact: Epilepsy is not contagious. The patient having a seizure needs your help and should be given immediate and appropriate care.
Myth: The only side effects of a seizure are tiredness and being confused
Fact: Having epilepsy can affect people in different ways.

The burden of epilepsy could be reduced in India by providing a comprehensive epilepsymanagement which goes beyond seizure controland includes prevention of comorbidities andimprovement of quality of life.The goal is to make the epilepsytreatment available for all and eradicating thefear and myths by educating patients, and thepublic.

Dist administration razed illegal Bangladesh houses, and 17 suspects were held

JAGATSINGHPUR (Correspondent). The day after, 2 suspects from Bangladesh were held, and massive weapons and a pistol were recovered. The district administration on Monday razed at least 10 houses built by the illegal immigrants in Berahampur village under Raghunathpur block, eight km away from here. Meanwhile, police have picked up 15 people residing in Satpura hamlet under suspension of illegal Bangladesh nationals residing there, the alleged persons, including a few women, were sent to a shelter home and are being interrogated, informed DIG central range



Satyajit Nayak in a press conference held at district headquarters on Monday. Informing media persons, DIG Nayak said that as part of the drive, quitting Bangladesh National form state and inputs from reliable sources, Jagatsinghpur police raided Berahampur village on Sunday night and picked up two people suspected to be Bangladeshi nationals, bringing them to the police station for interrogation. During the police operation, a few Bangladesh suspects managed to escape from the police target, and massive lethal weapons and a country-made pistol were recovered from a house.The operation was relaunched, taking revenue officials and police on Monday, at least 10 houses illegally constructed in government land were razed to the ground, and the house owner Sikandar Allam alias Siku, a resident of Dhanipur village, fled from the spot during the police operation. Police suspect the fugitive Siku was hired houses to these illegal immigrants who were residing in Berahampur village.Meanwhile, police raided the Satpura basti area, where mainly minority people have been residing for years. During the police action, about 15 people could not establish their identity. The probe showed that they did not have an Aadhar card and an identity card; as a result, all these people shifted to a shelter home for interrogation, DIG said.We are working under three procedures as detection, detention, and deportation. Once a person is picked up under detection, he will be put on detain to establish his legal identity. If he fails, he will be deported according to law, DIG Nayak informed.

1 Lakhs Ganza sized, one arrested

Paralakhemundi-(Correspondent):- At Gajapati district by Adava Police contraband ganza of ?31 lakhs seized.By a car that had been about to transport out of state.While patrolling Adava police at Batuma marked a car moving on high speed. Police stopped that car at Nuasankha on guessing.While raiding they found contraband ganza in polythene bag. Convicted Rahul Behera of Kalema village arrested.In presence of Addl.Tehsildar Ashok Muduli weighed. Through Brahmapur that was about to transport to other state,said Subhrant Panda IIC of Adava Police Station.



Disabled Woman Taken Care Disabled Nephew: Demand on Pension

Paralakhemundi:(Correspondent):- One disabled woman is taking care of her nephew who,too,is a physically challenged. They are yet to get pension.Named Ayamani Sabar of Murusing village of Kujasing panchayat of Gumma block of Gajapati district,her nephew Kalu Bhuyan is staying since childhood with her.Now he turned adult.As per information by that woman support of disabled pension & through ration card rice both are surviving.Being visually & hearing impaired,Kalu is yet to get his pension.So Sarpanch Menita Bhuyan,Naib Sarpanch Rajendra Roito,Ward Member Jewel Sabar, Sambaru Bhuyan & Budhabari Bhuyan demanded immediate support of pension to Kalu.While interacted with District Social Security Officer she said that his case has been taken up & very soon he will be enrolled on his deserving pension.



Kendrapada Administration Checking Beefed-up For Outside Travellers

Kendrapada(Correspondent): After Delhi blast and ceased arm and amination from Jagatsinghpur district Bangladeshi inflators, kendrapada district administration alert towards such types of activities. The search operation started in Kendrapada district from last Sunday. District police checked vehicles and suspected persons luggages in different places of the district. In last two days police checked on Chandikhole-Paradeep national highway and Cuttack -Chandbali state highway. Travellers of outside states identification checked and their travel purpose verified.

8 Labourers, 5 Children Rescued

Kantabanji, correspondence : Kantabanji Police on Monday rescued eight labourers and five children from Khalipathar, Belpada and Sargul areas under Muribahal block.According to police sources, the victims were being mobilised for labour trafficking when a special team intercepted the group and conducted the rescue operation. Following the investigation, police arrested labour Sardar Sushil Bentkar, a resident of Sargul Ichhapada, for his alleged involvement in organising and transporting the labourers.

Missing Khurda Youth Found Unconscious In Cuttack's SCB Hospital

Bhubaneswar: Satyajit Das, a private college student from Khordha, was found unconscious at SCB Medical College and Hospital in Cuttack, 16 days after he went missing from a birthday party in Bhubaneswar.According to reports, Satyajit had attended the party with friends at a café under Bharatpur police limits on November 1. He, however, did not return home. Despite his family's efforts to contact him, Satyajit's phone was switched off, and he hasn't been heard from since.His family had filed a missing person complaint with Khurda Town Police, and CCTV footage confirmed his presence at the café.The family is in shock after finding the youth in a critical condition 16 days after his disappearance.

National Level Physiotherapy Training Camp Held at Subarnapur Lepra Society

SUBARNAPUR(Correspondent) ----The inauguration ceremony of the Three days National Level Physiotherapy Training Camp was held at Subarnapur Lepra Society today. A total of seventy participants from Bihar, Telangana, Andhra Pradesh, Odisha, Jharkhand, Chhattisgarh, Maharashtra, Assam, Delhi, Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh participated in this camp. Lepra Society Odisha State Ambassador Gorekhnath Sahu inaugurated it as the chief guest by lighting the lamp. Dr.Rituparna Hota, Rajanikant Singh,



Kameswar Rao were the main participants and managed the camp. They were supported by Amrita Singh, Satish Choudhury, Netranand Sahu. Special training was given on prevention, treatment and coexistence of leprosy, leprosy-free and goiter. This camp is scheduled to be held for three days from 17th to 19th at Lepra Society Subarnapur and Mahanadi Netra Chikischalaya (MNC) Birmaharajpur. Prashant Kumar Naik, Chief Executive Officer of Lepra Society, is managing it, Subarnapur Coordinator Nrusingh Charan Mishra said in a press release. The general public has expressed satisfaction that such a camp is being held in Subarnapur district.

Khaprakhol police raid, rescue eight migration labour including two children:middleman arrested

Patnagarh -Correspondent) Balangir district Khaprakhol police raided a petrol pump in Khaprakhol on Monday afternoon and rescued eight migration labour including two children who were illegally transporting goods in a Bolero vehicle. According to the information, the rescued were from Paikamal police station area of ??Bargarh district. The police have arrested the middle men Ghanshyam Shabar (42) of Sukulimundi village of Komna police station in Nuapada district, and the driver of the Bolero vehicle, Tawasir Muhammad (25). In this regard, Khaprakhol Police Station has registered a case under case number 268/25 under various sections and while the investigation into the incident is underway, Khaprakhol Police Station Officer Narendra Chhatra informed that the rescue workers have been sent to their village.



47th All India Railways Bridge Championship Inaugurated at East Coast Railway



Bhubaneswar, (Correspondent):The 47th All India Railways Bridge Championship was inaugurated today by Shri B. S. K. Rajkumar, Additional General Manager, East Coast Railway, at the Railway Indoor Stadium, Mancheswar. This marks the beginning of the three day national sports event scheduled from 17th to 19th November 2025.This is the first time East Coast Railway has been entrusted with organising this prestigious national event on behalf of the Railway Sports Promotion Board (RSPB), a responsibility that reflects the organisation's rising stature in the field of sports. The initiative has been championed and guided by Shri Parmeshwar Funkwal, General Manager, East Coast Railway, whose leadership has been instrumental in strengthening sports infrastructure and fostering a culture of sporting excellence across the zone.Addressing officers and participants, the AGM expressed pride in ECoR's role in facilitating an event that brings together some of the finest talent from across Indian Railways. The support of the Odisha Bridge Association has added further strength to the hosting of this prestigious championship.Teams from Eastern Railway, South Eastern Railway, Metro Railway, Central Railway, and East Coast Railway are participating. The event has drawn some of India's top bridge players, including Sumit Mukherjee, Debabrata Majumder, Sagnik Roy, Gopinath Manna, Sayantan Kusuri, and Sandeep Datta who have represented India in international tournaments such as the Asian Games, Commonwealth Championships, and the World Cup.

Kendrapada Tulasi Khetra corridor Convert Like Srekhetra; Law Minister

Kendrapada (Correspondent): Around hundred crores of rupees estimated to spend Sri Baldevjew temple outside renovation said state law and culture minister Prithviraj Harichandan on Sunday. Which will be like Srekhetra Puri and it's DPR will conclude soon Sri Harichandan said after a high label meeting at state capital. In this meeting kendrapara MP Baijayanta Panda and Mahakalpada MLA Durga prasan Nayak also present. Like Puri Srekhetra Kendrapada Tulasi khetra also rushed by devotees but it became neglected till a decade for it's improvement as a tourist spot. The narrow road to Sri Baldevjew temple



and it's clumsy atmosphere,lack of government assistance kept it in backfoot as tourist spot. Though Kendrapada is famous for Sri Baldevjew temple and Bhitarkanika national park but lack of tourist infrastructure it stands in backfoot.Following this announcement, a wave of joy and enthusiasm has spread among countless devotees. On this occasion, Baladeva Sena convened a meeting today and formally expressed gratitude to the State government. Earlier this year, representatives of Baladeva Sena visited Chief minister's Office and the law minister at his official residence and submitting a memorandum seeking removal of encroachments in front of the temple and beautification of the adjoining areas of the temple and the premises. At that time, chief minister's office assured to take necessary action. Law minister also expressed his commitment to take immediate steps and expedite the project. Baladeva Sena also met endowment commissioner and submitted the memorandum, engaging in a detailed discussion regarding various issues. The demands also presented before the Member of Parliament of Kendrapara and Mahakalapada MLA as well. Through a press conference, Baladeva Sena had even announced that, if the project did not commence within a stipulated period, they will start to protest. The significant efforts by MP Baijayant Panda and Mahakalapada MLA Durga Prasanna Nayak in advancing this project deserve special appreciation. The initiation of this project under the leadership and guidance of the law minister has been wholeheartedly welcomed by the members of Baladeva Sena. Baladeva Sena has earnestly appealed to the law minister and the Works department to ensure early commencement and timely completion of the circumambulation project with the highest standards of quality.

Anil Kapoor Congratulates Mission Impossible Co-Star Tom Cruise On Winning The Honorary Oscar

Bollywood superstar Anil Kapoor took to his social media account to congratulate Hollywood superstar Tom Cruise for winning the Academy Honorary Oscar at the Governors Awards.Kapoor, sharing a photo still of Cruise holding the prestigious award, penned a beautiful note for him. "Congratulations, dear friend, on this incredible honour. Your passion, discipline, and generosity are unmatched. The world has always admired you, and now they have honoured you with what you richly deserve," wrote Anil.He added, "Your achievement is a testament to all the artists around the world who pour their heart and soul into cinema. Thank you for your brilliance and for your friendship, which I will cherish forever," and tagged Tom Cruise on his social media.On November 16, 2025, Tom Cruise was felicitated with the award by Alejandro González Iñárritu, the director of Tom Cruise's untitled upcoming movie set for October 2026. Tom Cruise, while delivering his winning speech, was seen getting a little emotional. "The cinema, it takes me around the world. It helps me to appreciate and respect differences. It shows me also our shared humanity, how alike we are in so, so many ways," said Tom. He added, "And no matter where we come from, in that theatre, we laugh together, we feel together, we hope together, and that is the power of this art form. And that is why it matters; that is why it matters to me. So making films is not what I do; it is who I am.The Mission Impossible actor added, "My love for cinema began at a very early age, as early as I can remember. I was just a little kid in a darkened theatre, and I remember that beam of light just cut across the room, and I remember looking up, and it seemed to just explode on the screen. Suddenly, the world was so much larger than the one that I knew."The actor added, "And entire cultures and lives and landscapes all unfolded in front of me, and it sparked something. It sparked a hunger for adventure, a hunger for knowledge, a hunger to understand humanity, to create characters, to tell a story, to see the world." He further added, "It opened my eyes. It opened my imagination to the possibility that life could expand far beyond the boundaries that I then perceived in my own life. And that beam of light opened a desire to open the world, and I have been following it ever since."



Winter Beauty Tips For Healthy Skin



1. Moisturise Frequently

Thick moisturisers containing Ceramides, Hyaluronic Acid and Petrolatum help retain moisture within your skin. Opt for thicker creams over lighter lotions as they are most effective during the winter season.

2. Switch To Hydrating Cleansers

During the winter months, avoid harsh cleansers on the face. Any cleanser that leaves you completely clean strips the skin of natural moisture. Use gentle, hydrating, fragrance-free cleansers for daily cleansing and also to remove makeup.

3. Limit Hot Showers

Winter season is usually known for long hot showers. But hot showers tend to dry out your skin. As per the expert, limit showers to 15 minutes and use lukewarm water to avoid irritating your skin.

4. Avoid Harsh Scrubs And Scented Products

Products like loofahs, bath mitts, and scrubs can irritate dry skin and lead to eczema flares. Avoid these during the winter season for better and healthier skin. Use unscented soaps and body washes if you have a history of dry skin.

5. Hydrate Well

Hydration during the winter season is required to increase the water content in your body. Make sure to limit beverages and alcohol consumption during the winter season as it can dehydrate your body.

Incorporate these expert tips for clear and fine skin during the winter season.

Tips for Avoiding a Dry-Skin

1.Make moisturizing a part of your daily skin-care routine. As soon as you step out of the shower, slather your skin from head to toe with a moisturizing lotion (the thicker it is, the richer it is). For extra dry skin, consider an ointment or a cream.

You can also consider products with shea butter, hyaluronic acid, or jojoba oil.

2. Develop other skin-friendly bathing habits. You should avoid hot showers and baths, and limit your overall bathing time between 5 and 10 minutes. Regular bar soap can contain ingredients such as fragrances and preservatives that can be harsh on your skin, so opt for a mild cleanser or liquid body wash instead.

3. Avoid exposing your skin to harsh chemicals. That includes alcohol and apple cider vinegar. These ingredients can worsen dry skin and even cause burns in some cases, Shainhouse says.

4. Drink plenty of water. You may have heard that drinking water helps your skin look less dehydrated. While research isn't definitive on the connections between drinking water and treating dry skin, good hydration may offer other health benefits.

5. Dress appropriately for the weather. This goes beyond wearing sunscreen in the summer to protect against sunburns and skin cancer.



"Remember to put on your gloves before you go outside into the winter air to prevent dryness and chapping," Shainhouse says.

A homemade mask of avocado is another natural way to soothe dry skin, and Adell has used it at home in her own family. "This face mask is chock-full of antioxidants and probiotics that will promote healthy, glowing skin," she says.

She recommends combining ½ avocado with ¼ cup plain Greek yogurt (which may improve skin texture because of its lactic acid content.

She also suggests adding a drizzle of manuka honey and 1 teaspoon of turmeric for potential anti-inflammatory benefits and to improve symptoms of inflammatory skin conditions such as eczema, per a separate.

Apply the mixture to clean skin and let it set for 5 to 10 minutes before rinsing off.

As for the other half of the avocado, why not eat it? Aside from avocados' numerous, well-researched health benefits, a small pilot study in the Journal of Cosmetic Dermatology found that a group of female participants who ate an avocado daily increased their skin elasticity and firmness.

Another study found that combining avocado oil with water and saffron extract can also be a great dry-skin remedy. Researchers of another study found a combination of avocado oil, water, and saffron extract rejuvenated the skin and reduced the appearance of wrinkles, though it's not clear whether any significant moisturization was noted.



morning detox drinks

. Lemon ginger detox tea

- One small piece of ginger
- Hot water
- Lemon juice
- Honey

Procedure

- Cut a small piece of ginger and place it into an empty cup.
- Pour hot water into the cup and allow it to sit for around 10 minutes.
- After an appropriate amount of infusion, add juice from half a lemon and honey to taste.

This beverage is comforting and promotes healthy digestion, which further helps in aiding the body to get rid of toxins. Ginger is great when it comes to curing respiratory inflammation. It has been used for years as a cure for cold, states the National Institutes of Health.

2. Green smoothie

- Handful of spinach
- Banana
- A scoop of spirulina
- One cup of almond milk

Procedure

- Put a handful of spinach, one banana, a scoop of spirulina, and one cup of almond milk in the blender.
- Blend it for a while, until the drink becomes smooth.

This healthy energy drink is full of vitamins and energizes the body, fueling it with much-needed and healthy energy. The anti-oxidant qualities of the leafy vegetables help in detoxifying the body.

3. Turmeric golden milk

Ingredients

- One teaspoon of turmeric powder
- black pepper
- honey
- coconut milk

Procedure

- Take a small saucepan and take one teaspoon of turmeric powder and one cup of coconut milk.
- Take this mixture and add a little black pepper and honey.
- Warm it up, stirring it in the process.

This drink has anti-inflammatory properties that protect the windpipe and lungs. Check out the other benefits of turmeric and how to include it in your diet.

4. Cucumber mint infusion

Ingredients

- One medium cucumber
- Fresh mint leaves
- 2 cups of water

Procedure

- Take one medium cucumber and add a handful of fresh mint leaves along with 2 cups of water.
- Use a blender to mix these.
- Strain the juice out from all the unwanted vegetable parts.

This provides the body with a drink that cools its temperatures and is beneficial in eliminating toxins causing dehydration by air intake. Even without the infusion, there are many health benefits of cucumber water.

Rayagada Shines at State-Level School Sports Meet



Rayagada,(Correspondent) :Rayagada district athletes delivered an impressive performance at the 69th State-Level School Sports Meet for under-14 and under-17 categories, organised by the Odisha School & Mass Education Department. The athletics, baseball and softball competitions were held from November 13 to 15 at Christian High School, Balasore.A strong contingent of 48 athletes from Rayagada participated and showcased remarkable talent. The district returned with three runner-up cups, four medals, and a special trophy awarded to the District Education Officer (DEO) for overall excellence.The athletes arrived in Rayagada early Monday morning by train, where they were warmly received with flower garlands by Head Coach, officials and teachers. DEO Ramchandra Nahak, ADEO Bhajanlal Majhi, ADEO Shantilata Muni, District Sports Officer Sheikh Allinur, District School Sports Inspector Harihar Patra, UPTEF district representatives Neelanchal Mishra, Suresh Pattnaik, Naresh Swalsing, and several sports teachers were present to felicitate the team.In athletics, Lalita Taika of Polma High School won bronze in 3000m, while Mausumi Majhi, also from Polma High School, secured silver in 200m. Rekha Jagerenga of Dukum High School bagged bronze in shot put. In a historic achievement, Deepika Miniaka of Narayanpur High School won bronze in 400m hurdles, marking the district's first medal in this category.ayagada also excelled in team events, clinching runner-up titles in girls' baseball and both boys' and girls' softball, adding to the district's growing reputation in school-level sports.Head Coach Rajesh Barik, Manager Ganesh Mahapatra, and coaches Goutam Mudili, Rebati Pidisika, and Susmita Satapathy received special appreciation from DEO Nahak for their dedicated mentoring.Highlighting the district's sporting potential, DEO Nahak said Rayagada has many talented children who excel when provided with the right environment, support and opportunities. Collector Ashutosh Kulkarni congratulated the entire contingent for their commendable performance, stating that their achievement has brought pride to the district.

Ranji Trophy: Odisha vs Nagaland—Day 2 Highlights from KIIT Cricket Stadium



BHUBANESWAR, (Correspondent)The iconic KIIT Cricket Stadium in Bhubaneswar, already enriched by hosting twelve Ranji Trophy encounters in the past, witnessed another gripping chapter as the 13th Ranji match between Odisha and Nagaland continued from 16th to 19th November 2025. Day 2 concluded with Odisha firmly in the driver's seat, stretching their overall lead to a commanding 130 runs and keeping the home crowd energized with anticipation.Winning the toss and choosing to bat, the Odisha Men's Cricket Team displayed disciplined cricket, with steady contributions from the top and middle order guiding them to a respectable first-innings total of 275. Their calculated approach and composed partnerships set the tone for the match.Nagaland, in reply, faced immense pressure from Odisha's consistent and probing bowling attack. Struggling to build momentum or stitch meaningful partnerships, they were bundled out for 161, handing Odisha a significant first-innings advantage. The bowlers delivered with precision, keeping Nagaland on the back foot throughout the innings.

World Boxing Cup Finals 2025: Pawan Stuns Brazil WC Winner, Hitesh Stuns Asian Games Gold Medallist On Perfect Day For India

Greater Noida: India's scintillating run at the World Boxing Cup Finals 2025 continued on Day 2 with Pawan Bartwal (55kg) and Hitesh Gulia (70kg) securing upset wins and delivering two of the tournament's biggest results on the second day of competitions here on Monday.On Monday, Pawan stunned World Boxing Cup Brazil gold medallist Altynbek Nursultan, and Hitesh edged past two-time Olympian, 2022 Asian Games gold medallist, and top seed Sewon Okazawa in a gripping split-decision bout. Their victories, along with strong wins from Sumit (75kg), Naveen (90kg), and Jadumani Singh (50kg), ensured India completed a perfect medal sweep across both sessions.For Pawan, the moment was 15 years in the making. Having begun boxing in the 2010s and quietly risen through the ranks, the Services boxer erupted onto the world stage spectacularly. Spurred on by the home support, he displayed exceptional defensive discipline, clever tempo control, and superb endurance, repeatedly pushing Nursultan–the second seed in the weight category–onto the ropes while picking clean openings. Pawan's poised, calculated performance marked one of India's finest victories in the opening rounds of this elite eight-only global event."Nursultan is a good boxer; he was a champion at the World Boxing Cup in Brazil this year. I was nervous at the beginning, but this tournament is taking place in our country, in front of our crowd, and that gave me confidence. This is a hugely significant tournament in my career. This is my first international medal, and I am extremely proud," Pawan told the Boxing Federation of India (BFI) after the match.The night's marquee bout between Hitesh and Okazawa lived up to its billing, with the former producing one of the tournament's most dramatic results in a narrow 3:2 win. Both boxers displayed caution early, keeping up their guards and preventing openings, but a powerful hook from Hitesh late in round 2 gave him the early advantage.

iQOO SOUL Wins Chennai Esports Global Championship 2025



Mumbai: iQOO SOUL, the Battlegrounds Mobile India (BGMI) division of S8UL, a global powerhouse in gaming and esports content, delivered a championship-winning performance at the Chennai Esports Global Championship (CEGC) 2025, capturing the title after an intense three-day Grand Finals held from November 14 to 16 in Chennai.Competing under the BGMI Smash Rule format, the team sealed victory with a decisive win in the 16th match of the finale. iQOO SouL finished the tournament with 162 points, 4 impactful Chicken Dinners, and a total of 107 eliminations, earning a ?21 lakh share from the tournament's ?50 lakh prize pool.The roster, comprised of Nakul "NakuL" Sharma, Harsh "Goblin" Paudwal, Yash "LEGIT" Chaudhary, Khush "Jokerr" Singh, and Aaryaman "Thunder" Seth, showcased consistency, discipline, and high-pressure resilience across the Grand Finals. Guided by IGL Nakul's sharp mid-game calls and structured late-game control, iQOO SouL maintained momentum against the country's strongest BGMI contenders. Nakul's leadership throughout the weekend earned him the Best IGL award, recognising his tactical clarity and clutch decision-making.Commenting on SouL's momentous victory, Naman 'Mortal' Mathur, Co-founder of iQOO SouL, said, "iQOO SouL's performance at CEGC 2025 reflects their dedication, synergy, and competitive fire. The Smash Rule format leaves little room for error, and the way the team stepped up in every match was incredible to watch. This championship win is a proud moment for all of us at SouL, and a strong marker of what this roster is capable of. We are excited for the road ahead."IGL of iQOO SouL, Nakul 'NakuL' Sharma added, "The finals demanded precision and teamwork, and I'm proud of how everyone delivered under pressure.

Shami's Trade To LSG Was Surprising, Russell Being Released Is Risky: Amit Mishra



New Delhi: Former India leg-spinner Amit Mishra has termed veteran fast bowler Mohammed Shami's trade from Sunrisers Hyderabad (SRH) to Lucknow Super Giants (LSG) on IPL 2026 retentions day as a surprising move.He also called three-time champions Kolkata Knight Riders (KKR) decision to release Andre Russell into the auction pool as a 'very risky' one ahead of the auction scheduled for December 16 in Abu Dhabi.At the last IPL mega auction in Jeddah, Shami was picked up by Sunrisers Hyderabad for INR 10 crore. However, his returns in IPL 2025 were modest – picking just six wickets at an average of 56.17 and an economy rate of 11.23, which were well below his IPL career benchmarks of 28.19 and 8.63 respectively."I think it was of Shami – he's a wicket-taker for any team, especially in Hyderabad. Good wickets are there and you need a wicket-taker. In terms of releases, Andre Russell was also surprising as releasing him into the auction is a very risky move, as no one can say whether he will go for a cheaper price or not.""These two developments surprised me as Hyderabad has a wicket where you need a wicket-taker who can bowl under pressure. Hyderabad's wickets produce around 250-250 runs. You need a bowler (like Shami) who can get you a wicket at the start, put a yorker or bouncer in pressure time. All teams will need an all-rounder, like Andre Russell, in the auction. Teams will especially need either a fast bowler or an all-rounder, as they are in most demand always," said Mishra in an exclusive conversation with IANS on Monday.Shami has played 64 Tests, 108 ODIs and 25 T20Is for India and was a member of the 2025 Champions Trophy winning team in the UAE. At LSG, Shami will reunite with bowling coach Bharat Arun, who was in the Indian team in the same role from 2014-2021. In those years, under Arun's guidance, Shami evolved to become an indispensable part of the highly successful Indian fast bowling line-up.Mishra also felt Shami's wicket-taking abilities in the powerplay overs can come handy on pitches during LSG's home games at the BRSABV Ekana Cricket Stadium in Lucknow. "The only reason Lucknow got Mohammed Shami on board is that he's a wicket-taking bowler. It will be very good if Shami picks wickets early as he has a very good skills to do so.""He can bowl good yorkers and if the ball reverses, he can bowl good yorkers and bouncers. Basically, he's a wicket-taker and Lucknow must have felt the need to get one fast bowler who can take wickets in the starting overs, and Shami has that ability to do it," he said.

IPL 2026: Kumar Sangakkara Returns as Rajasthan Royals Head Coach

NEWDELHI: Kumar Sangakkara returns as Rajasthan Royals head coach for IPL 2026 after leading the team between 2021 and 2024.The franchise confirmed his reappointment following Rahul Dravid's exit in August. Sangakkara previously held the director of cricket in 2025 while Dravid managed the squad.Rajasthan Royals reshaped their coaching staff to strengthen the team. Vikram Rathour stepped up as lead assistant coach. Trevor Penney and Sid Lahiri rejoined as assistant coach and performance coach. Shane Bond continued his role as fast bowling coach, adding depth to the support staff.The Royals also made bold moves in their playing roster. They traded long-serving captain Sanju Samson to the Chennai Super Kings in exchange for Ravindra Jadeja and Sam Curran. This decision marked a significant shift in leadership and strategy ahead of the new season.RR lead owner Manoj Badale expressed confidence in Sangakkara's leadership. He highlighted Sangakkara's clarity, calmness, and cricketing intelligence as key assets for guiding the squad. Badale emphasised that Sangakkara's familiarity with the Royals' culture ensures stability and continuity during this transition.Rahul Dravid's tenure ended abruptly after a structural review of the team's poor performance in IPL 2025. The Royals finished ninth in the 10-team league, securing only four wins from 14 matches. Sangakkara now faces the challenge of rebuilding the squad and restoring competitiveness.The franchise looks to Sangakkara's experience and leadership to inspire a turnaround.

Frequency of Udhna–Brahmapur–Udhna Amrit Bharat Express Increased to Tri-Weekly

Bhubaneswar, November 17, 2025:In response to public demand and as part of the Ministry of Railways' continuous efforts to enhance passenger convenience, Indian Railways has decided to increase the frequency of Train No. 19021/19022 Udhna–Brahmapur–Udhna Amrit Bharat Express from weekly to tri-weekly.This decision reflects the commitment of the Hon'ble Minister of Railways to improving connectivity and providing better travel facilities to passengers.Revised Frequency• Train No. 19021 Udhna–Brahmapur Amrit Bharat Express Currently running only on Sundays, it will now operate three days a week—Sunday, Wednesday, and Friday with effect from 19th November 2025.• Train No. 19022 Brahmapur–Udhna Amrit Bharat ExpressEarlier operating only on Mondays, it will now run three days a week—Monday, Thursday, and Saturday with effect from 20th November 2025.No Change in Timings and StoppagesThere is no change in the existing timings, stoppages, or coach composition of the Amrit Bharat Express.

Aditya Aluminium Organizes Cancer Screening Camp and Inaugurates Mobile Medical Unit at PHC Rengali for Sub-Centre



Sambalpur:(Correspondent):- Aditya Aluminium, Lapanga organized a comprehensive Cancer Screening Camp along with the inauguration of a Mobile Medical Unit aimed at upgrading healthcare services at PHC Rengali and its associated sub-centres.The program was inaugurated by Mr. Krishna Padhi, Cluster HR Head, Mr. Jagannath Prasad Nayak, Unit Head, Mr. Gulshan Tiwari, CPP Head, Mr. Vinoda Nand Thakur HR Head, Dr. Suchitra Sahoo ADPHO Sambalpur, Dr. Gyanaranjan Mohanty Epidomologist and in the presence of medical experts and community members.The camp focused on screening for breast cancer, throat cancer, and cervical cancer, with special emphasis on women's health. Advanced diagnostic services, including mammography and other cancer screening tests, were conducted by Balco Medical Center, Raipur. Additionally, an eye check-up camp was organized with the support of specialist doctors to ensure comprehensive healthcare services.Aditya Aluminium, Lapanga a Unit of Hindalco Industries Limited through its Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) initiatives, continues to prioritize the health and well-being of local communities. This initiative underscores the company's commitment to strengthening women's health, enhancing family wellness, and improving access to quality healthcare services. By aligning with national and state healthcare priorities, the company aims to create long-term social impact and promote sustainable community development.The newly inaugurated Mobile Medical Unit (Swasthya Vahini) will operate across nine sub-centres of Rengali Block, equipped with a dedicated team comprising a doctor, nurse, lab technician, and pharmacist. The unit is fitted with diagnostic facilities to provide essential medical tests and primary healthcare services directly at the community's doorstep.

Step Beyond the Ordinary: Hawkins Comes Alive as Stranger Things

BHUBANESWAR, (Correspondent):Today, the rifts open to a new dimension on Yas Island, the leading leisure and entertainment destination, as "Stranger Things: The Experience" makes its regional debut. Visitors can now dive into 80s nostalgia and thrilling adventure, becoming the main characters in a story stranger than fiction, in a mind-bending, interactive journey through the "Stranger Things" universe.From the haunting corridors of Hawkins Lab to the eerie depths of the Upside Down, every moment pulls fans deeper into the "Stranger Things" universe. Guests will step into the infamous Hawkins Lab, where a seemingly harmless 'sleep study' created by the minds behind the show quickly descends into chaos. They will meet Eleven and the gang as they navigate a dangerous path, uncovering hidden secrets that lurk in the Upside Down.



A Decade of Tata Steel Kalinganagar: Forging India's Self-reliance

Kalinganagar, (Correspondent):: Tata Steel Kalinganagar (TSK) completes a decade of operations, marking a significant milestone in its journey of industrial leadership and community development. Commissioned in 2015, TSK has not only emerged as a formidable force in steel manufacturing but has also set new benchmarks in operational efficiency, technological advancement, safety, and sustainable practices, while deeply integrating with its surrounding communities.From an initial capacity of 3 million tonnes per annum (MTPA), TSK has now expanded to 8 MTPA production capacity with a cumulative investment



of over ?50,000 crore - the largest organic capacity expansion in Tata Steel's history. A key highlight of this expansion was the commissioning of India's largest blast furnace. Today, TSK plays a crucial role in India's Atmanirbhar Bharat story by producing over 100 different types of high-quality steel, significantly reducing the nation's import dependence. T. V. Narendran, CEO & Managing Director, Tata Steel, said: "For all of us at Tata Steel, Kalinganagar holds a very special place in our hearts. It represents a new era - one where we combined a century of experience with a vision for the future, creating a living blueprint for Indian manufacturing. Kalinganagar tested our resilience, teamwork, and faith, and each time, our people rose to the occasion. Over the past decade, Kalinganagar has demonstrated how growth, technology, and sustainability can work in harmony to build lasting value. Today, as we celebrate this 10-year milestone, I extend my heartfelt gratitude to everyone who has been part of this journey - community, Odisha government, our employees past and present, customers, suppliers & vendor partners - for their unwavering support and belief in our vision."
The establishment of TSK holds a unique place in the history of Tata Steel. For many years, the rich mineral resources of Odisha primarily served as raw material sources for the Jamshedpur plant. TSK fundamentally altered this dynamic by bringing large-scale steel production directly into Odisha. Odisha has emerged as the largest investment destination in India for Tata Steel, with a total cumulative investment of over ?100,000 crore in the last 10 years.TSK's leadership in leveraging digital and smart manufacturing earned it global recognition from the World Economic Forum, making it the first manufacturing plant in India (and the second worldwide) to be designated as an Advanced 4th Industrial Revolution Lighthouse.Sustainable growth is at the heart of TSK's philosophy. The plant minimises its environmental impact through efficient supply chain management and reduced carbon emissions.

ADANI DAV School Organises Exhibition



Dhamra, (Correspondent):::: An annual Exhibition was organized at Adani DAV Public School. The programme was inaugurated by the Honourable Chief Guest, Mr. Devendra Thakar, CEO, DPCL cum Chairman, SMC, Adani DAV Public School, in the presence of Mr. Trilochan Das, CRCC, Kuamara Project U.P.S Cluster, Chandabali, Bhadrak, and Mrs. Krishnapriya Sarangi, Principal, Adani DAV Public School, along with other dignitaries. Nearly 250 projects across various disciplines were showcased by the students. The CEO, along with Shri Das, visited all the project displays and interacted with the students. Learners from neighbouring schools also attended the exhibition and expressed their appreciation. As per official records, 645 parents visited the exhibition to witness the creative models and demonstrations. Both project exhibitors and visitors shared positive feedback, highlighting the enriching experience and exchange of innovative ideas. All projects were evaluated by experienced educationists based on well-defined rubrics and criteria, and the best entries across categories were recognized and awarded. Alongside the exhibition, a grand book fair was organised, catering to the interests of enthusiastic readers. The programme concluded succezssfully, marking a memorable and inspiring event for the entire school community.

Tata Power Hosts First-Ever Odisha Neurodiversity Summit 2025, Driving State-wide Inclusion Through Pay Autention Initiative

Bhubaneswar, (Correspondent):::: Tata Power, through its social impact arm - the Tata Power Community Development Trust (TPCDT) - and in collaboration with the Tata Power-led Odisha discoms, successfully hosted the first-ever Odisha Neurodiversity Summit 2025 at Rama Devi Women's University. Held under the banner of Pay Autention - a Phygital (Physical + Digital) Autism Support Network, the summit marked a pioneering step in strengthening Odisha's neurodiversity ecosystem, mainstreaming awareness, and expanding the reach of the Pay Autention platform across the



state.According to a 2021 study published in the Indian Journal of Paediatrics, 1 in 68 children in India is affected by autism. Despite rising prevalence, significant gaps persist in India's neurodiversity care ecosystem, underscoring the urgent need for accessible support and awareness. The summit witnessed participation from over 400 attendees, including more than 200 neurodiverse individuals and persons with disabilities, caregivers, special educators, volunteers, and representatives from corporates and civil society. Through leadership dialogues, experiential workshops, and inclusive exhibitions, the event created a platform for knowledge exchange and community collaboration to strengthen Odisha's neurodiversity inclusion efforts.An informative resource titled "Guide for Caregivers of Neurodiversity" was also launched to help parents and educators understand fundamentals of neurodiversity, including distinctions between neurotypical and neurodivergent profiles to co-existing challenges and holistic wellbeing approaches.



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