

PAKISTAN ADMITS KARGIL WAR FOUGHT By Its Soldiers, not mujahideens



akistan Army Chief General Asim Munir admits Pak army's role in Kargil war, says several Pak soldiers died in the 1999 Kargil War against India

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Pakistan for the first time has admitted its soldiers fought in the Kargil war in 1999. This assertion came from none other than Pakistan Army Chief General Asim Munir. Islamabad, till now, denied any role in the conflict and maintained 'mujahideens' (freedom fighters) waged the war. India had all along reiterated that Pakistan army

soldiers were actively involved in the war. Speaking at an event in Rawalpindi to mark the Pakistan army chief General Munir said several soldiers had laid down their lives while fighting the wars in 1965, 1971 and in Kargil in 1999. The Pakistani community is a community of braves which understands the importance of freedom and how to pay for it," General Munir said. The event was attended by senior military and governmental officials, and families of soldiers. The Pakistani army has never

The Pakistani army has never "Be it 1948, 1965, 1971, or the Kargil war of 1999, thousands of soldiers have sacrificed their lives for Pakistan and Islam," the Army chief said.

"The Pakistani community is a community of braves which understands the importance of war."

Pakistan suffered a crushing defeat in the war, with Indian soldiers successfully reclaiming the positions occupied by infiltrators on the Indian side of the Line of Control (LOC) in the Kargil sector, including Tiger Hill, after a nearly three-monthlong battle. Then US President Bill

Then US President Bill Clinton also asked Pakistani

Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif to order the withdrawal of Army personnel from the

Kargil sector. The day is observed as 'Kargil Vijay Diwas' to commemorate India's victory over Pakistan in the war. A total of 545 soldiers laid down their lives fighting the Pakistani intruders.

India has always maintained the operation was a strategy by Pakistan to assert its claim over Kashmir. India has several evidence of involvement of the Pakistani army in Kargil, including prisoners of war, their pay books, uniforms, and weapons. The Indian Army buried several dead Pakistani soldiers in Kargil after the war. The Pakistani Army had refused to accept the bodies of soldiers killed in Kargil. The authorities had secretly sought bodies of Pakistani officers killed in the war.

India has consistently asserted that the conflict was a direct act of aggression by the Pakistani military. The Pakistani army's intrusion into Kargil with terrorists as a cover became evident from the intercepted conversation between General Pervez Musharraf (while visiting Beijing) and his Chief of General Staff Lt Gen Mohammed Aziz in Rawalpindi on May 26 and May 29.

Majhi to visit Sambalpur for Nuakhai today

To launch CM Kisan Yojana PNS SAMBALPUR

People of Sambalpur await to welcome Chief Minister Mohan Charan Majhi on the occasion of Nuakhai on Sunday.

Union Minister and Sambalpur MP Dharmendra Pradhan and local MLA Jaynarayan Mishra, along with Revenue Minister Suresh Pujari, Minister of Higher E d u c a t i o n Suryabanshi Suraj, Minister of Rural Developm e n t , Panchayati Raj and Drinking

Water Rabi Narayan Naik would share the dais with the CM at various events in the city.

The CM will have Prasad of Maa Samaleswari (Nabanna)

at Ashok Niwas, Burla, before heading towards a Bhetghat programme of Marwari Yuva Manch at Mandliya. Subsequently, he will launch the CM Kisan Yojana at the Gangadhar Meher University auditorium.

There are four Bhetghat programmes in the city. The first one is at Mandliya and the remaining three programs will be attended by Majhi after launching of the CM Kisan Yojana.

HM Shah vows to decimate the Opposition in J and K elections

MOHIT KANDHARI 📕 JAMMU

Predicting the Assembly poll results in advance, Union Home Minister Amit Shah Saturday declared the National Conference and the Congress will never be able to form a government in Jammu and Kashmir.

Shah said the BJP will contest and win these elections with full strength. He also emphasized that the election results will be decided by the people of Jammu.

Addressing the 'Karyakarta Sammelan', a day after releasing the party's Sankalp Patra (Manifesto) here in Jammu Shah motivated the booth-level party workers to launch a door-to-door

campaign to ensure the the path". formation of the BJP The Uni government. "We just don't said the have to defeat them, we have to seize their deposits".

"I am reading the writing on the wall that NC and Congress will never form a government. They are the people who forced Maharaja Hari Singh to exile and only his ashes could be brought back after his death," Shah said. The movement started by Pandit Prem Nath Dogra was ended by PM Modi Ji on August 5, 2019. He said, "It is a coincidence

He said, "It is a coincidence that the first election rally of BJP is starting on the day of Ganesh Chaturthi and we all know that Lord Ganesh destroys all the obstacles of

said the upcoming elections are historic. For the first time since the country's independence, the voters of Jammu and Kashmir will cast their votes under the tricolor. For the first time, votes will be cast under the Constitution of Baba Saheb Ambedkar and not under two constitutions. For the first time, no PM will sit in Jammu and Kashmir as only one person can be PM. These elections are taking place out of the shadow of article 370 and we have seen its results in Lok Sabha elections." More than 58 percent of voters participated in the 2024 Lok Sabha polls.

The Union Home Minister







ନୂଆଁଖାଇ–୨୦୨୪ ଅବସରରେ ମାନ୍ୟବର ରାଜ୍ୟପାଳଙ୍କ **ବାର୍ତ୍ତା**

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(ରଘୁବରାଦାସ)

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CM Majhi launches Subhadra Rath 2 held for abducting, looting BBSR cab driver

BJD seeks Rs 50K aid in max two installments BHUBANESWAR PNS

Chief Minister Mohan Charan Majhi launched 'Subhadra Rath' on Saturday and said the Subhadra Yojana reflects the Odia Asmita.

Attending the event, Bhubaneswar BJD Mayor Sulochana Das on Saturday took a sly dig at the Majhi government for the Rs 5,000/halfyearly and Rs 10,000 annual money instead of Rs 50,000 as per BJP's promise.

Das said, "If a woman gets Rs 50,000, she can invest it somewhere and make more money. So, I request the government to think about it because giving Rs 5,000 in installments will hardly be of any

BHUBANESWAR

L he Odisha government is

soon going to fill up 2,000

Forest Guard posts in the State.

Forest and Environment Min-

ister Ganesh Ram Singh

Khuntia on Saturday informed

that the government would fill

the 2,000 within three

While talking to reporters,

Khuntia said that at present

around 3,000 Forest Guard

posts are lying vacant in the

State and the government

would soon start the process

to fill up 2,000 posts in the

Earlier, Chief Minister

months.

first phase.

Govt to fill 2,000 Forest

Guard posts in 3 months

help to anyone." "A needy family will spend it on their daily expenses. So, it will be difficult for them to be self-

that 2,298 Home Guard posts

that are lying vacant would be

filled up as soon as possible.

The development came after

the government lifted the ban

on recruitment of Home

Guards which was in force

Apart from Home Guards,

the CM also informed that

around 3,000 vacant police

posts would be filled in 100

days. Besides, one police out-

post each would be set up for

10 government medical col-

leges and one outpost at the

Baramunda bus terminal while

9,000 motorcycles would be

provided for Inspectors, Sub-

Inspectors and Assistant Sub-

from February 2020.

independent until they get the Rs 50,000 in one or two installments." Das added. In response, Deputy Chief

In a first in Odisha -

PNS BHUBANESWAR

For the first time in Odisha,

a Bhubaneswar-based doctor

successfully treated uterine fi-

broid using a pioneering tech-

nique 'Microwave Ablation'.

This is the first-ever such pro-

cedure in Odisha in the treat-

ment of uterus tumour with-

Microwave ablation is a

minimally invasive procedure

that does not require surgery

and does not even leave a scar

on the patient. Furthermore,

patients can be discharged in

a single day after the treat-

Senior gynaecologist, obste-

trician and infertility special-

ist Dr GSS Mohapatra revealed

out any surgery.

ment.

Minister Pravati Parida stated that the Rs 5,000 given to a woman is to pave the way for them to dream big. It is like an encouragement gift for women.

"I think Rs 5,000 for every woman and our Rs 50,000 guarantee will help women dream big for Rs 5 lakh. Such big dreams will make them fighters and move them forward in life," said Parida.

"Even the biggest brand like KFC was also started with Rs 5,000. A steel company was started with just Rs 6,000. So, anything can happen with the Rs 5,000. This is like building a foundation for them. It is like an encouragement gift to the women. All we want is to give hopes and dreams to women who could not even dare to dream earlier," she stated. "In days to come, I promise

that Odisha will be the No. 1 State in 'lakhpati didis'," Parida added.

Miscreants booked car online BHUBANESWAR PNS

 $T_{\rm he\ Gondia\ police\ in}$ Dhenkanal district have arrested two persons in connection with the loot of a cab of Bhubaneswar, which was booked online

While carrying out investigations into the case, the Gondia police arrested the mastermind Rajesh Nath and his associate Suman while one more accused was still absconding.

The cab driver Balram Pradhan on August 13 had got a booking from Bhubaneswar to Joranda under the Gondia police limits. He picked up three passengers as per the online booking from near the AIIMS Bhubaneswar.

After driving for several ki-



lometers, Balram, who is also the owner of the car, was about to get the biggest shock of his life. The three passengers asked him to stop the car on the pretext of attending nature's call. Later, they took out knives and looted a gold ring, cash of Rs 5,000, two mobile phones and the car of Balram near Radhadeipur.

was a new one. After escaping from the spot, he went to the nearest village and sought help of people.

'Villagers gave me Rs 500 and I came to police station to lodge a complaint. My car has been recovered, but cash and gold ring have not been recovered yet. Now, I am afraid to take long-distance trips,"

said Balram.

According to Balram, his car

In Puri — Doc conducts uterus tumour treatment without surgery Locals loot shipping container not performing surgery anywashed up on beach more; we are just melting it.

PNS PURI

Local residents were seen carrying away items from a container that was mysteriously washed up on the Puri beach. The looted items included candles, foods, per-

peared on one side of the container and some of its contents spilled into the sea. Following this, locals began looting the container.

Puri district Collector

Special force to protect tigers in Satkosia

PNS BHUBANESWAR

the Similipal Tiger Reserve. Chief Wildlife Warden and PCCF, Wildlife, Susanta Nanda on X wished the STPF members very best as it is gotection Force (STPF) in the ing to be a hard and arduous

items, and no reports of any hazardous materials have been received so far. The Coast Guard will follow due procedure to handle and open the container. The looting by locals is unacceptable; we will verify the situation and take necessary action."

State had been introduced in

task for the green soldiers in

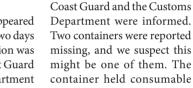
Dressed in black uniform,

the days to come.

Siddharth Swain said, "The

L o protect tigers and other wild animals from poachers, the Forest Department has deployed a Special Tiger Pro-

fumes and engine oil. The container had appeared on Penthakata Beach two days ago, but no official action was taken despite the Coast Guard and the Customs Department were informed about the incident. On Saturday, a crack ap-



very unrewarding. Whoever performs advance laparoscopy, we always feel that the surgery does not do justice to procedure. So, now are using the latest procedure 'Microwave Ab-

Mohan Majhi had announced Inspectors. how the ablation technique Ex-Jharpada jail Super arrested for DA

CUTTACK

he Vigilance police on Saturday arrested and forwarded to court Satya Prakash Swain, former Superintendent of the Jharpada Special Jail, Bhubaneswar, at present Superintendent of Keonjhar District Jail, for possession of dis-



Raids conducted on Cuttack street food stalls

After receiving plaints of sale of stale stuffs CUTTACK

uttack Municipal Corporation (CMC) teams conducted multiple raids on a number of street food kiosks selling Chaat, Gupchup,

momos and other fried items

uses heat to melt the tumour.

He said, "The process is called microwave ablation. Normally, when there is a tumour in uterus, we call it uterine fibroid. It is also called uterine myoma/adenomyosis, the condition when the patient goes through extreme pain, especially during menstrual time. They may also experience se-

vere bleeding." "Adenomyosis surgery is

lation' to treat uterine fibroid or tumour," he said.

The melt is done by a mechanism called 'microwave ablation'. Due to high degree of heat, it can melt the tumour," he said. "Many patients do not want to go through surgery. So, this is the best procedure to treat fibroid and adenomyosis. With this procedure, there will not be a single cut or scar in the uterus or abdomen and patients can be discharged in a single day," he further said.

"The procedure is also very affordable and will not cost more than laparoscopy. Most importantly, the patient is free to choose what procedure she wants to go through," Dr "In simple language, we are Mohapatra stated.

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tionate assets (DA) The Vigilance during house

searches had detected a fourstoried residential building of 3,300 sqft worth over Rs 1.5 crore of Swain at Jharpada, four high-value homestead plots in prime areas of Bhubaneswar, Balangir and Dhenkanal, gold ornaments worth Rs 10 lakh, bank and postal deposits of Rs 6.24 lakh, a four-wheeler, a two-wheeler and household articles worth over Rs 15 lakh in the names of Swain and his family members.

account for satisfactorily.

The income, expenditure and assets of Swain were calculated and he was found in possession of disproportionate assets which were 89% in ex-

cess of his known sources of income, which he could not

in the city on Saturday. The drive was launched after several complaints of sale of stale food items during the

festive season were received. The raids were conducted at small hotels and eateries at Ranihat, College Square and Jobra. The health squad of the CMC seized stale foods and found irregularities in the preparation of the foods in the



eateries.

The officials also checked the licences of the eatery owners and fined many of them for the contamination of food. A special squad has been formed for periodic checks and to spread awareness drives regarding food safety and hygiene. Frequent raids would

continue to stop the contamination of food and bring a change in the situation, an official stated.

"Due to the upcoming festive season, the food safety teams of CMC have started periodic raids. We have prepared a plan and are accordingly conducting the raids,"

said the official. He added, "The raids will be conducted in other places too. All big and small eateries will be raided. Our primary focus currently is two things - licence and sanitation and quality of foods. We will not compromise if there are any irregularities found, be it a big hotel or a small one."

Satkosia Tiger Reserve.

The second such force in Odisha, the STPF has been formed as part of Satkosia's commitment to enhance security measures ahead of resumption of the big cat translocation project in the protected area, for which the National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA) gave its green signal recently.

ate in civil dress supporting and strengthening the ground intelligence and information

the force is well-equipped with arms and other equipments required for round-clock patrolling. Apart from taking part in special operations against poachers, they will also oper-

The first such force in the network of Satkosia. 'Good Cinema Film Fest' ends at DAV CSpur

No deadline for Subhadra Yojana



Registration to continue till last beneficiary submits form PNS BHUBANESWAR Deputy Chief Minister Pravati Parida on Saturday reit-

erated that the registration for the Subhadra Yojana would continue till the last beneficiary submits form. "There is no deadline to submit the Subhadra Yojana form. Registration for the scheme will continue till the

last beneficiary submits it. We will ensure no beneficiary is left

out and all eligible beneficiaries get the benefits of the scheme," she said.

Meanwhile on Saturday, Chief Minister Mohan Charan Majhi flagged off Subhadra Yojana Awareness Rath (chariot) which will run across the State creating awareness on

the scheme. Speaking on the occasion, CM Majhi said that the BJP government is committed to ensuring no beneficiary is left in the State. "It's an opportunity to fulfill the dream of every woman. The scheme is also an identity of Odia Asmita," said the CM.

BHUBANESWAR

The DAV Public School, Chandrasekharpur, organised a two-day "Good Cinema Film Festival" for the students in collaboration with SIFFCY (Smile International

Film Festival for Children & Youth) and Smile Foundation. The initiative was devoted to serve as a platform for greater

appreciation of meaningful cinemas made for children which can bring a change in

the society by showcasing specially curated children movies supporting emerging filmmakers and promoting the diverse perspectives of Good World Cinema.

The Festival was for children with just about every level of interest in film, whether to watch and enjoy, create

their own work or take things a stage further and find out more about a career in the film or television industry. Acclaimed film maker, festival director, Jitendra Mishra, Director Polish Institute, Embassy of Poland, New Delhi, Magdalena Filipczuk, Second Secretary for Culture, Press & Information, Embassy of Ukraine in IndiaVolodymyr Prytula, Odia actors Sabyasachi Mishra and Archita Sahu, besides eminent filmmaker

Sabyasachi Mohapatra and Bakul Foundation founder Sujit Mohapatra were present at the inaugural ceremony to interact with the students and share their perspectives and experiences on movies.

School Principal Dr Sujata Sahu welcomed the dignitaries and appealed to the students to explore various facets of life through the prism of cinema and reflect on the values projected by the protagonists of the movies. A workshop on movie making was also conducted for the students by renowned filmmaker Snehashish Das. The event was coordinated by school counsellor Isha Ipshita Satpathy and incharge the photography of club Anand Das.

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In Kendrapada dist School kids cover 4 km for mid-day meal

Students of the Atharabatia Upper Primary School in district's Kendrapada Pattamundai block walk four kilometers every day to have their midday meals.

Investigation revealed that their school has a new building. However, the contractor who carried out the construction work is yet to get the payment due to the alleged substandard work. So, he has locked up the building. Due to a lack of classrooms, the students of Classes-VI, VII and VIII go to the Bajra Mahakali High School, which is two km away. At lunchtime, they come to their own school, have food and return.

Walking four km not only eats up their study time but



makes them tired.

classes-Class VI, VII and VIII They come to Bajra Mahakali "Since our school building is in a dilapidated state, we are School in the morning; and coming to Bajra Mahakali at lunchtime, they again walk to Atharabatia Upper Pri-High School. At lunchtime, we go to our school; and, afmary School, covering a dister having our food, we retance of two km to have midturn. We put our lives at risk day meal. During rainy days, as there is fear of accidents there is always a risk of lightand lightning," said ning," said Atharabatia Pri-Prajnasmita Sethi, a student mary School Headmistress of the Upper Primary School. Bhaktimayee "I am in charge of three Mohapatra

When contacted BDO Pattamundai Subhranshu Sahu said, "The construction of an additional building of Atharabatia Upper Primary School is near completion. The payment to the contractor will be made in a day or two. Then, the contractor will hand over the key to the school and the sufferings of the students will come to an end."

In Brahmapur 2 trucks seized for smuggling sand

4 persons arrested PNS BRAHMAPUR

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m he\ Badabazaar\ police\ in}$ Brahmapur on Saturday busted a sand smuggling racket by seizing two trucks transporting sand from Aska in Ganjam district to Andhra Pradesh.

Four persons, including the drivers and helpers, were detained for questioning and later handed over to the Mines Department for further inves-

tigation. Badabazar Police Station IIC Baba Shankar Saraf said a fine of Rs 2 lakh has been imposed on the seized vehicles by the Mines Department.

"The operation was exposed thanks to two alert Corporators Durga Kumar Layak and

Ashwini Kumar Patnaik, who noticed suspicious activity near Taluka Street. Suspecting sand smuggling, they in formed police and we seized the vehicles," the IIC added.

The incident has raised concern on the rampant sand smuggling in the district.

Book Distributors from

Kolkata, Baroda Book Corpo

ration and BSP from Baroda,

Capital Books, New India

Book Agency from Delhi,

New Delhi Publishers, Over-

seas Books from New Delhi,

and Bombay Books were

present.Additionally, the Bikalananda Kar Memorial INBRIEF

Subhadra Rath flagged off in Brahmapur

Brahmapur: The Berhampur Municipal Corporation (BeMC) flagged off the Subhadra Rath from its campus on Saturday to



ensure awareness about the Subhadra scheme. The Rath will tour all wards in the city, educating residents about the benefits and application process of the scheme. The ceremony was attended by local MLA K Anil Kumar, Mayor Sanghamitra Dalai, Deputy Mayor E Vivek Reddy, Commissioner Bhabani Prasad Mishra, all community organisers and Corporators.

Hills reforesting by Ganjam environmentalist

Brahmapur: Environmentalist and chairman, Aryabhatta Foundation, Sudhir Sahu led by a differently-abled senior volunteer Laba Sethi completed 3 months of their reforesting the hills recently. The team used more than 2lakh seed balls,6 lakh seeds to sow and around 500 collected saplings on the 20 hills on which they had worked on till last year and a hillock that they took up this year in nearby AP. In addition, they have planted 50 banyan saplings and 1,000 palm sprouts on the Rushikulya river banks in Ganjam.

Brahamapur photojournalist Sahu passes away

Brahmapur: Photojournalist Simanchala Sahu passed away at a private hospital in Visakhapatnam on Friday. He worked with a number of TV channels. Brahmapur Press Club members and intellectual of the city expressed deep grief over his demise and offered their sympathies to the bereaved fam-



ily. Sahu is survived by his wife, a daughter and parents.

Worker electrocuted in Gajapati

Paralakhemundi : A person was electrocuted in an under-construction building on National Highway-326 under the Mohana police station in Gajapati district when he came in contact with an 11-KV wire while painting the building. Though he was rushed to hospital, the doctor declared him brought dead. The deceased was identified as Akhay Kumar Nayak of Baliapata village in the Bhanjanagar area of Ganjam district. The building belongs to a hotel owner.

'We remain indebted to our teachers always'



In Jajpur Road SP Nanda Library's annual function held



PNS JAJPUR ROAD

he 25th annual function of the SP Nanda Library was celebrated at Durlav Kala Parishad Mandap here on Thursday under the chairmanship of library chief Dushmanta Kumar Rout.

Jhadeswar Junior College Principal Dr Akshaya Kumar Panda attended as chief guest and inaugurated the programme. Senior educationist Aswini Kumar Das attended as chief speaker while TU leader and Vyasanagar Senior Citizens' Forum secretary Chandramani Samal, teacher Jiban Kumar Nayak, social worker Tusarbindu Nayak, Jajpur district Bajrang Dal coordinator Basant Ku. Patra and educationist Sanjay Ku

In southern Odisha 🗕

Deo attended as guests of

honour. The speakers said the SP Nanda Library has been providing its service for 25 years along with holding social and cultural activities. The Teachers' Day was also celebrated here. On the occasion, advocate Deepak Sengupta was felicitated.

Among others, environmentalist Akshay Ku Jena, Sukinda BJD leader Lalbahadur Mohanta, scribe Umakanta Mohapatra, Abhiram Parida, TU leader Arun Das, Biplab Dutta, Sanatan Patra, Suman Ray, Chakradhar Mallick, Hardayal Singh, Pritipal Singh, Bichitrananda Mohanty, senior teacher Dillip Ku Behera were present. Bidyutprava Ray offered a vote of thanks.

IIM-S'pur hosts 2nd annual Book Exhibition

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In commemoration of the Teachers' Day, the IIM Sambalpur hosted its second annual Book Exhibition on their campus at Basantpur. The exhibition will end on Sunday (September 8), the International Literacy Day.

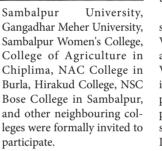
The book fair garnered significant participation from esteemed publishers, including Bloomsbury, Cengage, McGraw-Hill, Wiley, Sage, Springer Nature, Taylor & Francis, CRC, Routledge, and CBS Publications. The exhibited books were meticulously

organized into two primary categories: literature pertaining to business and manage-Nagari inscription in AP village highlights Kalingan influence

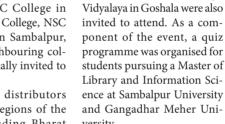
A significant archaeological discovery in the village of Ratti near Haripuram in Srikakulam district, Andhra Pradesh, has unveiled a deep

Sambalpur education, educational materials, resources for competitive examinations (such as GRE, TOEFL, IELTS, etc.) fiction, participate.

country, including Bharat



Noted book distributors from various regions of the



BK Singh Deo, a descendant of Raja Basudeba Rajamani, emphasized his greatgrandfather's legacy, noting his efforts in temple construction and the initiation of the Dolo Utsav. He also highlighted Raia Basudeba

Trust participated in the event, showcased its publications that reflected the culture and history of Sambalpur. Furthermore, educators and students from Odisha Adarsha Vidyalaya (OAV) in Kalamati and Jawahar Navodaya

invited to attend. As a component of the event, a quiz programme was organised for students pursuing a Master of Library and Information Science at Sambalpur University and Gangadhar Meher University

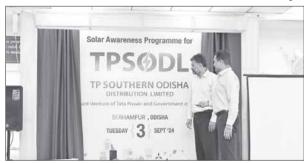
science fiction, biographies, and indigenous knowledge of India. In an effort to foster wide-

spread engagement, several educational institutions and including universities

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ment and a diverse selection of works encompassing higher

TPSODL's awareness drive for solar rooftop



PNS BRAHMAPUR

The TP Southern Odisha Distribution Limited (TPSODL) has launched a mass awareness campaign for solar rooftop across southern Odisha, leveraging the region's abundant solar resources to foster widespread adoption of solar energy.

The initiative promotes the PM Surya Ghar Muft Bijli Yojana (PMSGMBY) and aligns with the State's Renewable Energy (RE) Policy, underscoring Tata Power's unwavering commitment to sustainable energy solutions.

The campaign seeks to educate residents and commercial and industrial (C&I) customers on the benefits of solar energy, as well as the available subsidies. Key elements include information on the Central Financial Assistance (CFA) programme under PM Surya Ghar Muft Bijli Yojana (PMSGMBY), which provides substantial subsidies for rooftop solar installations. The subsidy amounts range from Rs 30,000 per KW for 1 kW to 2 kW systems, Rs 78,000 for 3 kW and above 3 kW capacities. The campaign also

offers support with the application process and technical evaluations.

The campaign was inaugurated by TPSODL CEO Amit Kumar Garg and National Head-Renewables, Tata Power Kaushik Sanyal in the presence of senior officials from the company. As part of this initiative,

consumers were honoured as 'Green Champions' in recognition of their adoption of solar and their contributions to sustainability and eco-friendly practices.

Emphasizing the importance of this initiative, Mr. TPSODL CEO Garg stated, "Our solar awareness campaign in southern Odisha is a strategic move to harness the vast solar potential of this region. Through the promotion of the PM Surya Ghar Muft Bijli Yojana, we are committed to making solar energy both accessible and affordable for all. By driving solar adoption among our 23 lakhs consumer base, we are empowering them with reliable, cost-effective, and clean energy solutions. The initiative is in perfect harmony with TPSODL's vision of a greener, energy secure Odisha."

historical influence of the ancient Kalinga region, particularly the Ganjam district.

A Nagari inscription, dating back to 1910, has been found engraved on a bronze Moksha Stambha pillar outside the Jagamohana of the Sri Matshya Ballava Narayana Jiu temple. Written in Sanskrit and N?gar? characters, the inscription prominently features the Utkaliya Sankha Chakara and Urdhwa Pundra image, symbols that are integral to the cultural heritage of Kalinga, which includes present-day

Ganjam The inscription, deciphered by Bishnu Mohan Adhikari of Paralakhemundi, records the establishment of a Ketu Stambha (a ceremonial pillar) and a Singha (lion) statue in front of the temple during the

Varshe Tapasye Yuta Shita Dashami Pusya Tare Arka Bare. Shri Shri Shri Basudeba Kshitiraman Padmamala Sva Matra, Ketu Stambham Kritam Shri Raman

century.

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Sthapayamam Simhe.' This text refers to the dedication of the Ketu Stambha on a specific date corresponding to March 20, 1910, during the

gions during the early 20th

The inscription reads:

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reign of King Basudeba Soumva Nat Rajamani of the Manjusha Es-Mina Masa, Pusya Nakshatra Yukta Dasami. The presence tate. The Manjusha Estate, historically part of the Kalinga of the inscription in Ratti is a testament to the historical region, shared close cultural and political ties with Ganjam, reach and cultural significance of Kalinga, particularly its reflecting the extensive influence of Kalinga over these re-Ganjam district.

King Basudeba Rajamani Raja Deo, the 48th Raja of Manjusha (ruling from 1890 to 1914), was a prominent figure in the Kalinga region, especially in Ganjam. His reign was marked by significant contributions to cultural and infrastructural development. Among his achievements were the construction of the Gopal Sagar reservoir near Manjusha (present-day Mandasa), the reestablishment of the Vallabha Narayan Temple at Ratti, and the introduction of the Dolo Utsav, a festival that continues to be celebrated annually.

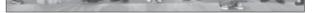
Rajamani's critical role in the early movement for a separate Odisha province, a movement that had strong roots in the Ganjam region. Raja Basudeba Rajamani was actively involved in the Ganjam Jatiya Sammilani and Utkal Sammilani, organizations instrumental in advocating for Odisha's Statehood.

Raja Basudeba Rajamani's contributions to public welfare and education, including the establishment of scholarships and schools, are still remembered in Ganjam. His role in the broader socio-political landscape of Odisha is further underscored by the inscription, which highlights the enduring influence of Kalinga on the cultural and historical narratives of regions beyond its current borders.

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lover to get formally married.

In order to fulfill the objective



Teachers' Day held in Brahmapur; 260 students feted BRAHMAPUR PNS

The Teachers' Day celebration at Chhatrapur stadium saw the recognition of academic excellence and speeches aimed at motivating the youth on Thursday.

Commerce and Transport, Steel and Mines Minister Bibhuti Bhusan Jena attended as the chief guest, emphasizing that no matter how accomplished a person becomes, they remain in debt to their teachers. He encouraged students to contribute positively to the nation's development.

Chikiti MLA Manoranjan Dyan Samantara and Ganjam Zilla Parishad President Anjali Swain also spoke on the importance of teachers in shaping individuals' futures.

Ganjam District Collector Dibya Joti Parida discussed ongoing initiatives to improve the district's education system, while District Education Superintendent Amita Patnaik highlighted the significance of the day.

The event honoured 260 students, including 202 district toppers and 2,169 blocklevel achievers. Additionally, 113 students received meritbased scholarships. In another key moment, 26 top students were selected to represent Ganjam in the State-level Swariya Vidyarthi programme.

Pratima, crusader against caste-based, wasteful weddings

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n the 44 years of social re form activities undertaken L by AMOFOI (Anti-Caste Marriage One-child Family Organisation of India), a worthwhile event took place on August 3.

On the day, Pratima Pradhan, a resident of Takarada village under Sheragad police station of Ganjam district reached AMOFOI, Bhubaneswar office with her 1.15 months' old grandson in her lap. She was accompanied by her daughter Jogeswari Pradhan (21) and her lover

Santosh Kumar Mahankuda (30)

The lovers are from different castes. They defied social barriers and started staying together right from January 10, 2023 as a couple in Kamalpur village under Mohana police station in Gajapati district. On June 18, they were blessed with a male baby.

Pratima joined her daughter Jogeswari and started taking care of her grandson. She was never driven by any caste or religious prejudices.

Santosh runs a medical store. His parents wanted him to marry traditionally with



dowry etc. However, Santosh did not like to betray Iogeswari. So he was having a strained relationship with his

the couple led by Pratima came to Bhubaneswar and reached AMOFOI to tie the nuptial knot.

AMOFOI organized a record of 11, 034 casteless, dowryless, priestless love marriages by August 2. However, in its long history of organizing such marriages, it could not see such a brave and bold mother as Pratima. Social change cannot take place if young boys and girls in their marriageable age are not given the social freedom to choose their respective life partners. Pratima is truly a flag bearer.

> In each and every AMOFOI)

AMOFOI marriage, lovers marry by exchange of garlands. A minimum of Rs 5,000 is spent in the process. The money is borne by the lover in question. Thus parents of the young girl are not called upon to spend a single paisa in conduct of their daughter's weddings.

We do hope we will see more of Pratima Pradhans in coming days to support the crusade against caste-based ostentatious weddings, which are a scourge on society.

(Voltaire, who is general secretary, Freethought Party of India, is also founder of

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About 62000 cases pending in High Courts since 30 years Crown Prince of Abu Dhabi to visit India on Monday

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE NEW DELHI

rown Prince of Abu Dhabi Chown Finde of Ale Din Sheikh Khaled bin Mohamed bin Zayed Al Nahyan will begin a two-day maiden visit to India on Sunday to hold wide-ranging talks with Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

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The visit will further reinforce strong ties between India and the United Arab Emirates (UAE) and open avenues for partnership in new and emerging areas, the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) said, announcing the trip. Prime Minister Modi and the

Crown Prince will hold talks on Sunday covering a wide range of areas of bilateral cooperation, it said. Besides bilateral issues, the two leaders are also expected to deliberate on the overall situation arising out of the Israel-Hamas conflict.

The visiting leader is also scheduled to call on President Droupadi Murmu. He will visit Rajghat to pay tributes to Mahatma Gandhi.

The Crown Prince will be accompanied by several Ministers from the UAE Government and a business delegation. After concluding the Delhi leg of his visit, Al



Nahyan will travel to Mumbai to participate in a business forum on Monday. Top busi-ness leaders from both coun-

tries will participate in the forum. "At the invitation of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, the Crown Prince of Abu Dhabi Sheikh Khaled bin Mohamed bin Zayed Al Nahyan, will pay an official visit to India on

sunday pioneer

September 9 and 10," the MEA said on Saturday. The MEA also referred to the boosting of bilateral coopera-

tion in a range of areas in the last few years. "India and UAE share historically close and friendly ties. In recent years, the Comprehensive Strategic Partnership between India and the UAE has deepened in a wide range of areas including

political, trade, investment, connectivity, energy, technolo-gy, education, and culture," it

said Following the landmark visit of Modi to UAE in August 2015, bilateral relations between the two countries were elevated to a Comprehensive Strategic Partnership.

Both countries signed a Comprehensive Economic

Partnership Agreement (CEPA) in February 2022 and a Local Currency Settlement (LCS) System in July 2023 to promote the use of Indian Rupee and AED (United Arab Emirates Dirham) for crossborder transactions. The two countries are among each other's top trading partners with a bilateral trade of about USD 85 billion in 2022-23, according to official data. The UAE is also among the top four investors in India in terms of foreign direct investments in 2022-23. About 3.5 million strong and vibrant Indian community forms the largest expa-triate group in the UAE.

The UAE was invited as special invitee for G20 during India's Presidency of the grouping. In February 2023, the India-UAE-France (UFI) trilateral was formally launched. With India's active support,

the UAE joined SCO as dialogue partner in May 2023. The UAE also joined BRICS as a member on January 1 with India's support.

The India-UAE defence cooperation has also witnessed a renewed momentum in the last few years. In January 2024, the first India-UAE bilateral army exercise 'Desert Cyclone' was held in Rajasthan.



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There are nearly 62 thousand L cases pending in various high courts, which are more than 30 years old, including three awaiting disposal since 1952. According to official data, there are four cases pending since 1954 and nine since 1955 in High Courts. Out of the three cases pending since 1952, two are in the Calcutta High Court and one in the Madras High Court.

Addressing the national con-ference of district judiciary here earlier this week, President Droupadi Murmu had called for a change in the "culture of adjournments' in the judiciary. She said long-standing pen-

dency and backlog of cases is a big challenge before the judi-ciary. "All stakeholders have to find a solution by giving prior-ity to this problem," the President said.

As many as 58.59 lakh cases, including 42.64 lakh of civil nature and 15.94 lakh of criminal nature, are pending across high courts.

According to the National Judicial Data Grid (NJDG), nearly 2.45 lakh cases are pending in high courts which are 20 to 30 years old.

Addressing the same event, Law Minister Arjun Ram Meghwal had called for breaking the perception that Indian courts follow the "tareekh pe tareekh culture". He said the law

Ministry has analysed that there were cases pending since five, 10, 15, 20 and 30 years. He said an analysis of pending cases mentioned on the NJDG shows that parties involved in litigation are either not present

or not interested in taking the case forward. He said 25 to 30 per cent of

such cases can be closed in one go. In this regard, some high courts have taken effective steps. Referring to the concepts of 'ageing analysis' and 'clubbing of similar cases', he said these have helped settle pending cases in a time-bound manner. More than five crore cases are pending in various courts, including district courts, High Courts and the Supreme Court.



India willing to work with like-minded partners on specific agenda: Jaishankar

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China's growing muscle- national capacities so that g in the region. contributions that benefit the world. We have seen this recently during the Covid pandemic in terms of vaccine production capacity," he said. Or in the Arabian Sea to strengthen maritime security. As indeed, the supply of food grains to those in great need. Second, to de-risk the global economy from pandemics, climate events and conflicts, help build more resilient, reliable and redundant supply chains," he said. contestation Jaishankar argued, This, means working with global partners more efficiently and create an environment where it is easier to do business. "Many of the recent infrastructure initiatives in India will make a difference in that regard. Third, in the digital domain, create trusted partnerships and trusted vendors," he said. The External Affairs Minister This will ensure that the sensitivities at home that we have about our data are response to such a situation. equally respected when they "First, it can build up its own cross the borders, he noted.

real issues of economic inequal-

ities, inflation, unemployment,

social injustice, destruction of

the Constitution, centralisa-tion of power," the Congress

We will not let the agenda of

hatred and division succeed. The victory of love and human-

India's diverse landscapes,"

chief said.

Kharge said.

Government making efforts to recognise bright teachers practising innovative methods: PM

PNS NEW DELHI

Prime Minister Narendra Modi has said efforts were being made to recognise bright teachers practising innovative methods as he took an apparent swipe at past Governments, saying he would not talk about what used to happen earlier. In an interaction with teachers who were conferred National Teachers' Awards, he said they could prepare young students for 'Viksit Bharat'. The interaction took place on Friday while its video was shared on Saturday.

Modi suggested that the teachers could involve the students in selecting the top 100 tourist destinations in the country by encouraging them to learn about different places they might visit as part of education tours. The teachers awarded were

selected after a long process as that there would be many oththeir efforts can be useful in the new National Education Policy (NEP), Modi said while noting

ers doing excellent work. He told the teachers to take their students to nearby uni-

versities and watch sporting events as the experience could fire up their dreams. As many as 82 teachers from Department of Higher Education and 16 by the Union Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship, an official statement said.

around the country were select-

They included 50 teachers by the Department of School

Education & Literacy, 16 by the

ed for the award.

Modi suggested that the awardee teachers connect with each other on social media and share their best practices so that everyone could learn, adapt and benefit.

He highlighted the impact of the NEP and spoke about the significance of attaining education in the mother tongue. The Prime inister suggested that the teachers teach local folklore to their students in different languages so that they learn multiple languages and also get exposure to India's vibrant culture

India would be willing to work with like-minded partners on specific agenda and its role in the Quad is an example of such an approach, External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar said on Saturday, while calling for reformed multilateralism.

In a virtual address at the FPCI Global Town hall, Jaishankar, delving into major geopolitical developments, said the world is looking at a more "sharpened contestation" between the US and China on a range of areas. He underlined that even as the world looks "complicated", desire India's and determination to ensure its stability and contribute to its prosperity is only getting stronger.

The Quad, comprising India, the US, Australia and Japan, has emerged as a key coalition focusing on working towards ensuring a free, open and rules-based Indo-Pacific against the backdrop of

the context of key directions and developments in international relations over the last few decades, the External Affairs Minister observed that many big powers are now content to do less and the newer ones are more reticent in stepping

forward "In many situations, it is left to the regionally significant players to sort out their own particular mess. Beyond this, we are also looking at a more sharpened between the US and China on a range of areas," he said. "If we also take into account that technology advances like AI, electric mobility, space or drone can shape balances of power more strongly, then the global calculus looks even more daunting," he added. "This, in essence, is the world that we deal with," he said.

then explained what a country like India can do in

India sends medical aid to Chad as relief post fire PNS NEW DELHI

India on Saturday sent to Chad nearly 2,300 kg of medical supplies including life-saving antibiotics as part of assistance to the African nation to deal with the fallout of a devastating fire. A devastating explosion at a military ammunition depot in Goudji area of Chad's capital N'Djamena killed at least nine people and injured 46 others. The fire reportedly triggered a series of blasts in the area.

"Extending Humanitarian Assistance to Chad: India -Vishwabandhu, a friend to the world!" Ministry of External Affairs Ministry spokesperson Randhir Jaiswal said in a social media post.

CDS holds talks with Maldives' Over 500 wheelchair Chief of Defence Force

PNS NEW DELHI

Chief of Defence Staff (CDS) General Anil Chauhan on Saturday held extensive talks with Maldives' Chief of Defence Force Major General Ibrahim Hilmy, focusing on a reset of military ties that came under severe strain after President Mohamed Muizzu assumed office in November last.

The talks between the two top military officials came a day after India and the Maldives held the fifth round of defence dialogue which decided to expedite implementation of the ongoing defence projects. Officials said the talks were aimed at furthering the bilateral defence cooperation, especially on measures to strengthen regional security and enhance bilateral training opportunities.



It is understood that cooperation in the maritime security domain dominated the discussions.

The ties between India and the Maldives came under severe strain since Muizzu, known for his pro-China

leanings, took charge of the top office around 10 months back

Within hours of his oath, he had demanded the withdrawal of the Indian military personnel from his country.

users participate in **National Injury Prevention Week** PNS NEW DELHI

The National Injury Prevention Week culminated on Saturday with the participation of over 500 wheelchair users in the Wheelchair Sports and Cultural Program, and health checkup camp at the National Centre for Disease Control here.

This event, organized under the aegis of the Directorate General of Health Services of the Union health ministry, was held to mark the Spinal Cord Injury Day, which is held every year on the first Saturday of September. Director General of Health Services, Prof Atul Goel, underscored the significance of injury prevention and rehabilitation. Official coordinator for Injury

Prevention Week, Dr Harvinder Singh Chhabra, said, "Prevention is the key to spinal cord health since it's cells, as in the case of brain, does not regrow and any damage has a debilitating effect."

Chhabra is also the chief of the Spine and Rehabilitation Centre at Sri Balaji Action Medical Institute, President of the Spinal Cord Society and Chairman of the Spine Wellness & Care Foundation, further said, "Our ongoing efforts in prevention, early intervention, and comprehensive management including rehabilitation are vital to improving the quality of life for those affected."

The programme highlighted the importance of spinal cord injury awareness and the need for comprehensive care and rehabilitation. According to a report of the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, as many as 16,397 persons lost their lives in road accidents in their lives in road accidents in 2021 by not wearing seat belts, including 8,438 drivers and 7,959 passengers.

Rahul Gandhi-led Bharat Jodo Yatra States, UTs surpass 50 per cent rural a historic mass movement: Congress Constitution and democracy,

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The Congress on Saturday hailed the Rahul Gandhiled Bharat Jodo Yatra, saying the Kanyakumari-Kashmir march was a "massive booster dose" for the party and a historic mass movement which became synonymous with uniting the society.

On the second anniversary of the launch of the Bharat Jodo Yatra, Leader of Opposition in the Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi said the yatra proved that Indians were inherently, loving people and "today our mission remains to ensure that the voice of love is heard in every corner of the country"



Congress President Mallikarjun Kharge said the distance cov-ered on foot by Rahul Gandhi and Bharat Jodo Yatris from Kanyakumari to Kashmir awakened an unprecedented public consciousness of love, mutual harmony and brotherhood in the hearts of crores of people. "On the occasion of the second

anniversary of Bharat Jodo Yatra, I only appeal to the people of the country to continue the struggle to preserve the



ll States and Union Territories have sur-All States and Union Territories have sur-passed 50 per cent coverage of tap water connections in rural households, as per official data. The Har Ghar Jal scheme ie 'Water to Every Household', a program launched in 2019 by the Ministry of Jal Shakti as a part of the Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) aims to extend tap water connections to all rural households by the end of this

year. Currently, all States and UTs have achieved over 50 per cent coverage, with 11 States and UTs reaching full coverage.

ity is certain. The Congress Party will not stop, it will not pause. The voice of Mother India is our voice," he said. As the Bharat Jodo Yatra marks As of now, all States and Union territories a milestone, we celebrate the (UTs) have more than 50 per cent coverresilient tapestry of unity and age of tap water connections in rural households with 11 States and UTs having 100 inclusivity it has woven across per cent coverage. The States and UTs with 100 per cent cov-



erage of tap water connections in rural households are Goa; Andaman & Nicobar Islands; Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu; Haryana; Telangana; Puducherry; Gujarat; Punjab; Himachal Pradesh; Arunachal Pradesh; and Mizoram. The least coverage has been recorded in West Bengal at 52.30 per cent, Rajasthan at 52.91 per cent, Kerala at 53.62 per cent, Jharkhand at 54.26 per cent, and Madhya Pradesh at 64.84 per cent, according to the data.

Out of a total of 19,33,38,234 (19.33 crore) rural households, 16,09,75,396 (16.09 crore) have been provided with tap water connections so far.

The Har Ghar Jal scheme was initiated by the Union Ministry of Jal Scheme was initiated by the Union Ministry of Jal Shakti under the Jal Jeevan Mission in 2019 with the aim to provide 55 litres of tap water to every rural household per capita per day by 2024. According to an official, beyond the num-

bers, the mission's impact was visible in flood-prone areas such as Assam, where climate-adaptive water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) structures were in place to ensure access to clean water even during natural disasters.

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South enjoys Vinayaka Chathurthi festivities, Telangana CM joins in celebration

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m inayaka}$ Chathurthi was fervour and gaiety across the south on Saturday, with prominent leaders, including Telangana Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy joining the celebrations in their respective states.

A festive mood prevailed as people gathered in large numbers to offer worship in grandeur temples and marked the occasion with the installation of large Ganesha idols in Chennai and Hyderabad, among other cities.

Prominent Ganesha temples such as the ones at Pillayarpatti in Sivaganga and Malaikottai in Tiruchirappalli, both in

Nadu, and the Tamil Manakula Vinayakar temple in neighbouring Puducherry teemed with devotees. Reddy Telangana CM

participated in a wellattended Ganesh Puja at Khairatabad in Hyderabad. ID(S) leader and Union Minister HD Kumaraswamy held prayers at Bengaluru. Celebrations were also held in some temples in Kerala. In Tamil Nadu, the famous

Ganesha temple (Malaikottai

Uchhi Pillayar) atop a hill in Tiruchirappalli was decked up for the festival. In keeping with the tradition.

a huge Kozhukattai, a sweet made from rice flour, jaggery and coconut was made for the deity. It was packed in a big vessel and it was suspended from a decorated bamboo pole and it was carried all the way up to the hill temple by people to offer it to Lord Ganesha.

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Traditional music was played and a pontiff led the procession of offering the mega sized sweet, which weighs over a 100 kilos, to the Lord. Similarly, the festival was celebrated with spiritual fervour at the ancient Pillayarpatti temple with devotees lining up the temple precincts to have darshan and a 'Theerthavari' (poojas in temple tank) was held.

Clay idols of Lord Ganesha were installed at homes and poojas were held. Market places wore a festive look as people flocked shops and roadside stalls to buy pooja items, flowers and fruits. Ganesh pandals, organised by

Hindu outfits and individuals well featured several as including themes 'environment friendly, farmer Ganapathi,' (Chennai) and a justice dispensing court Ganapathi' (Krishnagiri).



police denied permission to install Ganesha idols due to alleged violations, like failing to secure proper permission

and flouting norms on ensuring environment friendly idols. the In Chennai, actors (Nadigar association, Sangam-South Indian Artistes Association) held 'Annadhanam,' a distribution

In neighbouring Puducherry, people thronged Manakula Vinayagar temple since early morning to offer worship to the presiding deity. Special poojas and other rituals were performed to Lord Ganesha. Chief Minister N Rangasamy, Minister Home Namassivayam and leaders of political parties were among those who greeted the people

In Telangana, the nine-daylong festivities commenced on a grand scale and Chief Minister Revanth Reddy attended the puja at the famous pandal at Khairatabad in Hyderabad, famous known for the giant size of the idol. This year a 70 ft idol was installed for worship at the

pandal, which attracts

thousands of devotees during the festival observed for nine days.

Several pandals were set up across the state, especially in Hyderabad. The state The state government has made elaborate security arrangements for the festival and also for the immersion of idols in water bodies after the conclusion of the worship.

Clay Ganesha idols are gaining more popularity with each passing year in the state, as part of initiatives to promote greener celebrations

At Kurnool in Andhra Pradesh, a 63-feet Ganesha idol made of eco-friendly materials was set up on the banks of Tungabhadra river and Hubballi in Karnataka witnessed elaborate security arrangements for the festival In a visual treat, at Koppal (Karnataka), 2,000 students came together and sat down and also stood in patterns to form specific shapes to create the form of a giant Ganesha. Tamil Nadu police said processions for the immersion of the idols will be held on different dates in the state. As many as 64,217 police personnel have been deployed to regulate traffic and maintain law and order during the installation and immersion of the idols.

Goa celebrates Ganesh Chaturthi; make it ecofriendly, appeals CM

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The 10-day Ganesh festival began on Saturday in the coastal state of Goa amid religious fervour and enthusiasm, with most Hindu families bringing home idols of the elephant-headed god.

Families in the coastal state welcomed their beloved Lord Ganesh amid various rituals before installing the idols of the deity of wisdom and knowledge at their places. Ganesh Chaturthi marks the beginning of the festival.

Chief Minister Pramod Sawant held a puja at his private residence at Kothambi, Pale village, in his constituency of Sankhali in North Goa. In a message released after performing the puja, Sawant said may Lord Ganesh give wisdom and prosperity to everyone in the state. He appealed to people to celebrate the



with festival utmost sensitivity towards the state's ecology.

"Let's celebrate an ecofriendly Ganesh festival,' he said. Many Sarvajanik

Ganeshotsav mandals across the state have set up huge, attractive pandals with elaborate decorations to house big idols. households While immerse their idols of the deity in nearby waterbodies after two days, five days, seven days or eleven days, the Sarvajanik Ganeshotsav at public places continues for a longer time.

Greenpeace India warns of deteriorating air quality in Bengaluru, Mangaluru, Mysuru

PTI BENGALURU

Three major cities in Karnataka -- Bengaluru, Mangaluru, and Mysuru -have registered deteriorating air quality as the air pollution is on the rise, said a Greenpeace India report on Saturday.

The report, 'Spare the Air 2' flags serious health concerns as the average PM 2.5 and PM10 levels soar in 10 major cities of southern India, significantly exceeding the air quality guidelines set by the World Health Organization (WHO).PM2.5, or fine particulate matter, is a type of air pollution that consists of tiny particles that are 2.5 micrometers or less in diameter. PM10 is an air quality term for particulate matter that is 10 micrometers. The report has analysed the air quality standards of Chennai, Hyderabad,

Visakhapatnam, Kochi, in compliance. Mano mravati



The lead researcher of the guidelines, the annual average PM2.5 levels are found to be report Akanksha Singh said, "Clean air is fundamental to our health, yet this report six to seven times higher in reveals that particulate matter Hyderabad, levels in all cities have surpassed the revised WHO guidelines. While current Kochi, Amaravati, and Chennai. Additionally, comparing PM10 levels with WHO efforts are focused on cities guidelines reveals that Bengaluru, Puducherry, and not meeting the national ambient air quality standards, it is crucial to also address Mysuru have annual averages those cities that are currently

that exceed these guidelines by four to five times. fo address this we

a health-based adopt approach in revising the National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS), striving to meet WHO's latest scientific guidelines," said Selomi Garnaik, Greenpeace India's campaigner.

According to her, given the distinct pollution profiles and climatic conditions of southern cities, it is crucial to establish region-specific air quality standards aligned with local airshed management.

This tailored approach will ensure more effective measures for managing air pollution and safeguarding public health in these regions," added Garnaik. Vijavawada, Mangaluru,

The report strongly advocates for new NAAQ standards considering the unique pollution profiles and climatic conditions of South Indian cities. It also recommends increased investment towards developing a 'hybrid' air quality monitoring network cilitating real • publia

BJP only party in which people coming from ordinary families can also become PM: Nadda

PTI 📕 PATNA

 $B^{\mathrm{JP}}_{\mathrm{Saturday}}$ took a jibe at the opposition saying all other parties are restricted to dynasty politics, while in sharp contrast, BJP is the only party in which people coming from ordinary families can also become the prime

minister of the country. Speaking at BJP's online membership drive function here, Nadda said in BJP everybody has equal rights and opportunity.

"All other political parties are restricted to just dynasty politics....Or some parties represent certain community...BJP is the only party in which people coming from ordinary families also become the prime minister of the country like Narendra Modi Ji," he said.

"In our party...everybody has equal rights and opportunity. In other parties, you can become president only if you a particular Plong



entire society", said Nadda. Speaking on the party's ongoing membership drive, recently launched by PM Modi, Nadda said BJP is the only party in which the prime minister, national president, state president, mandal president, district president, booth president ... All have to renew their membership every six years. This is not possible in any other party because all other parties are either parties of a particular caste or a particular community or a family.

"BJP is the party of people belonging to all sections of the society. We are the party of villagers, poor, farmers, dalit tr weak



Nadda also the Union Health minister said. Earlier in the day, Nadda visited Takhat Sri Harimandir Ji Patna Sahib amid tight security. Nadda, wearing a Sikh turban, bowed before the Darbar Sahib. He had arrived here on Friday on a two-day visit to inaugurate and lay the foundation of several health

projects in the state. After visiting Takhat Sri Harimandir Ji Patna Sahib, Nadda in a post on X wrote, 'Today I got the privilege of obeisance paying and receiving blessings at Takhat Sri Harimandir Ji Patna Sahib. Coming to this divine place wave ves me



1 passenger killed,

PTI CHANDIGARH

One passenger was killed and sixteen sustained injuries after a bus from Himachal Pradesh overturned in Punjab's Pathankot on

Saturday, police said. The wounded, two of them with serious injuries, were admitted to a local hospital, they said. Police said the accident took

place near Bungal Badhani village in Pathankot after the driver of the bus lost control over the vehicle.

Himachal Pradesh roadways bus was coming from Chamba in Himachal Pradesh and was heading towards Amritsar, they added. Police said a 22nassenger from Punjab's Batala died in the accident.

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Odisha CM Mohan Majhi flags off Subhadra Yojana Awareness Rath

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PTI BHUBANESWAR

Odisha Chief Minister Mohan Charan Majhi on Saturday flagged off Subhadra Yojana Awareness Rath (chariot) which will roam Odisha across creating awareness on the scheme.

Accompanied by deputy chief minister Pravatai Parida, who is also the women and child development minister, Majhi said that the Subhadra Yojana will empower women across the state.

The chief minister said the chariots will awareness sensitize people on the scheme and how to apply for it. More than 1 crore women will benefit under the Subhadra scheme in the state, he said.

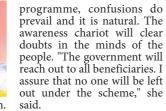
"It's an opportunity to fulfil



the dream of every woman. The scheme is also an identity of Odia Asmita (pride), Majhi said. Parida said that the

registration for the Subhadra Yojana will continue till the last beneficiary submits her form. "There is no deadline for submitting the Subhadra Yojana form. We will ensure that no beneficiary is left out and all eligible beneficiaries get the benefits of the scheme," she said.

launching of any major manifesto.



Under the scheme, the women beneficiaries will receive Rs 10,000 per annum

for five years. The first instalment of Rs 5,000 will be given on September 17, on the occasion of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's birth anniversary.

Officials said that the state government has set a target to enroll at least 1 crore women beneficiaries under Subhadra Yojana, a promise made by The DyCM said that before the BJP in its election

Police stations in Assam need to be MP Government announces ₹1 crore assistance for kin of | made more people-centric: Himanta soldier killed in road accident PTI 📕 GUWAHATI

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m he}$ Madhya Pradesh financial aid of Rs one crore to the parents of Army personnel Pradeep Patel killed in a road accident in Sikkim.

Chief Minister Mohan Yadav offered floral tribute after the mortal remains of sepoy Patel arrived at the Khajuraho airport Saturday afternoon. The deceased soldier originally hailed from Hardua village in Katni district of the state.

"I offered floral tribute to the brave soldier at Khajuraho airport. Rs one crore will be given to his parents as the deceased was not married.



The state government stands with the bereaved family in this hour of grief," Yadav said. The last rites of Patel will be performed in Hardua village in the evening. personnel. Four Army including sepoy Pradeep Patel, were killed when a district on September 5, police said.

Sarma also emphasised the role of 'Nagarik Samitis' (citizen committees) in assisting police personnel in public responsibilities "For the last three decades, Assam was insurgency. insurgency measures were the focus points for police. I won't say that insurgency has

Assam Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma on Saturday said with militancy-related incidents decreasing in the state, police stations have to be into more people-centric places.

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first state-level conclave here of 'Nagarik Samitis' from all 307 police stations in the state.

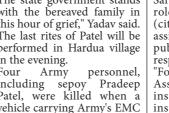
make them tough in their regular dealings, he said the role of Nagarik Samitis in helping the personnel to

engage in civil work can also ease some stress.

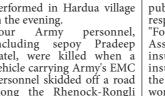
Sarma said positivity created within the society can lead to slow but permanent social transformation for the better, and the samitis can help the police force in discharging the public service responsibilities entrusted on them.

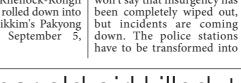
"Policing has two aspects administration of criminal justice and public service. The first aspect is addressed by the Bharatiya Nyay Samhita. Criminal justice, criminal investigation, filing of chargesheet are dealt in the first aspect by the OCs; the samitis don't have anything to do in this regard. "They (the samitis) have to maintain good relations between the police station

and the public," he said.



vehicle carrying Army's EMC personnel skidded off a road along the Rhenock-Rongli highway and rolled down into a forest in Sikkim's Pakyong







The CM was speaking at the fighting Counter-

Maintaining that the long and difficult nature of duty of police personnel tend to

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and sat on the road in protest, the police said. Traffic on the stretch was disrupted for a long time before police officials intervened and pacified the

protestors. Salon Circle Officer Salon Pradeep Kumar said the villagers called off the protest after they were pacified.

He said that the body of the deceased has been sent for postmortem, and added that the search for the truck driver is on.

BJP polarising people ahead of assembly polls in Jharkhand: D Raja

PTI RANCHI

PI general secretary D Raja on CSaturday accused the BJP of poaching leaders from other parties and raking up issues like infiltration to polarise people ahead of the assembly polls in Jharkhand.

Raja arrived in Jharkhand earlier in the day to discuss the party's strategy for the assembly elections in the eastern state later this year.

"The BJP and its conservative allies are targeting ruling parties in Jharkhand. In order to cripple functioning, they poach leaders from ruling parties if possible. This is happening in Jharkhand," he told reporters here.

"On the issue of infiltration, if they are serious about it, the Union home minister should give an explanation to the country. Instead, they are targeting



some states in order to create confusion and conflict among communities," Raja alleged.

The saffron party has been making allegations of increased infiltration in Jharkhand, especially in the Santhal

Parganas.

The senior CPI leader also claimed that the BJP would face defeat in the upcoming assembly elections Jammu and Kashmir, Haryana and Maharashtra.

The way the wrestlers were treated during their protests at Jantar Mantar Delhi was shameful. Now, there is anger not only among sports persons but also among people of Haryana," he said.

Raja also said there is "resentment' among people of Maharashtra, who are now "questioning the policies of the central government".

He said the Communist Party of India (CPI) would try to unite all secular democratic parties, which have come under the banner of the INDIA bloc, to win the assembly polls in Jharkhand, and "teach a lesson to the BJP and rightwing forces".

16-year-old girl killed, two injured as truck hits school goers in UP; kin, students protest

PTI RAEBARELI (UP)

16-year-old girl lost her Alf-year-old girl lost her teenagers were injured here on Saturday morning when they were hit by a truck, while they were on their way to school on their bicycles, police said.

Angered over the incident, the victims' family members, villagers, and the school's students staged a sit-in protest.

According to the police, the accident took place near Pyarepur turn in Salon hospital, they said.

area Raebareli district. Shailja died on the spot,

while two other girls --Kanchan (17) and Aarti (16) got injured and were admitted to the district



The victims were students of a government-aided school in Raebareli, they added.

Family members of the girls and villagers protesting on the Raebareli-Pratapgarh road. A large number of girl students of



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CIN - U15429UP1932PLC000469 Regd. Office : Modinagar - 201204. (U.P.) Tel: : 01232- 243115, 9084786567 E-mail: modiindustrieslimited@gmail.com Website: www.modiindustries.net NOTICE OF 90TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING, BOOK CLOSURE AND REMOTE E-VOTING INFORMATION

NOTICE is hereby given that the 90th Annual General Meeting ('AGM') of the member of Modi Industries Limited will be held on Monday, the 30th September, 2024 at 3:30 P.M., at Auditorium, Dayawati Modi Public School. Modinagar-201204. District Ghaziabad (U.P.), to transact the Ordinary and Special Business, as set out in the Notice of AGM. The physical copy of the Notice of the Meeting, Annual Report for the financial year ended March 31, 2024 and remote e-voting details have been sent to all member individually at their registered addresses. The date of completion of dispatch of the notices to the shareholders is 7th September, 2024. These documents are also available on Company's website www.modiindustries.net for download by the members and kep at the Registered Office of the Company for inspection by Members as prescribed unde the Companies Act, 2013.

Notice is hereby given in compliance with the provisions of Section 108 of the Companie Act, 2013 read with Rule 20 of the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules 2014 as amended that the Company is pleased to provide remote e-voting facility to its members for transacting all the business through National Securities Depository Ltd. (NSDL) through their portal www.evoting.nsdl.com to enable the members to cast their votes electronically. The remote e-voting period commences on Friday, the 27th September, 2024 (09:00 am) and ends on Sunday, the 29th September, 2024 (05:00 pm). No e-voting shall be allowed beyond the said date and time. During this period members of the Company, holding shares, as on the cut-off date of 23rd Septembe 2024, may cast their vote by remote e-voting. Any person, who acquires shares and becomes member of the Company after dispatch of the notice and holding shares as or the cut-off date i.e. 23rd September, 2024, will be provided the notice through e-mail o by post after the cut-off date and such members may also obtain the login ID and password by sending a request at evoting@nsdl.co.in or RTA, MAS Services Limited However, if the members are already registered with NSDL for remote e-voting then they can use their existing user ID and password for casting their vote. The remote e-voting module shall be disabled by NSDL for voting thereafter. Once the vote on a resolution is cast by the member, the member shall not be allowed to change it subsequently. The facility for voting through ballot paper shall be made available at the AGM and the members who have cast their vote by remote e-voting prior to the AGM may also attend the AGM but shall not be entitled to cast their vote again. The Company has appointed Shri Amar Nath, Jaiswal, the Proprietor on behalf of M/s A N, Jaiswal & Co, (Membershin No. ACS-19000 & CP No. 14629) of New Delhi as Scrutinizer to scrutinize the e-votin process in a fair and transparent manner.

In view of the continuing COVID-19 pandemic, Ministry of Corporate Affairs dated May 5 2020 read with General Circulars dated April 8, 2020 and April 13, 2020 (collectively referred to as 'MCA Circulars'), have permitted the holding of AGM through Video Conferencing ("VC")/Other Audio Video Means("OAVM"). The Company is providing this facility also to the shareholders to participate in the AGM from their homes. The detaile instructions for attending the AGM through VC/OAVM are provided in the AGM notice. In case of any grievances connected to e-voting process, the members may please contact Ms. Pallavi Mhatre (Manager), NSDL, 4th Floor, 'A' Wing, Trade World, Kamla

Mills Compound, Senapati Bapat Marg, Lower Parel, Mumbai 400013. Ema evoting@nsdl.co.in, Tel 022-48867000 and 022-24997000. The detailed procedure for remote e-voting are contained in the Notice of the AGM. If you

require any additional information or have any enquiries, please contact to the under signed at above mentioned address.

NOTICE is also hereby given pursuant to Section 91 of the Companies Act, 2013, Rule 10 of the Companies (Management & Administration) Rules, 2014 that the Register of the Members and Share Transfer Books of the Equity Shareholders of the Company will remain closed from Tuesday, the 24th September, 2024 to Monday, the 30th September, 2024 (both days inclusive) for the purpose of taking record of the shareholders at the Annual General Meeting.

Date: 07.09.2024 Place: Modinagar (U.P.) 201204 For Modi Industries Limited, Sd/-

Shobit Nehra Company Secretary, DGM (Legal)

STORES E-PROCUREMENT

E-procurement Tender Notice No. S/18/2024-25 Dated: 03-09-2024. E-tenders are invited by the undersigned for the following works. SN.1. Tender No. 79/24/0851/OT/150/2024-25,

Closing/Opening date: 23-09-2024

Brief Description: Washable pillow foam size 60X36X12 cm Construction details: 1) Material for pillow - Polyester Staple Fiber, (2) Fibre content- 100% white virgin hollow fibre, (3) Weight- 450 gm (Plus/ Minus 5 percent], (4) Pillow should be surrounded by virgin hollow fibre sheet of 20mm thickness (Min), Identification of fibre hollowness will be as per IS: 667/1981, (5) The covering cloth should contain 50% (Min) polvester varn & balance cotton and (6) Pillow should be resistant to normal wash. Monogram- At one corner of the pillow the woven cloth. (Warranty Period: 30 Months after the date of delivery] i) Qty- 36074 Nos. for Dibrugarh Town/Workshop/Depot, NFR (Assam), ii) Qty-11209 Nos. for Katihar/GSD, NFR (Bihar) iii) Qty- 23566 Nos. for New Jalpaiguri/GSD, NFR (West Bengal), iv) Qty-80827 for Pandu/GSD, NFR (Assam), P.L.No- 79331040

SN.2. Tender No. 37/24/0938/OT/151/2024-25 Closing/Opening date: 16/09/2024

Brief Description: Wedge for casnub 22-HS (MOD-1) bogie. Drawing No: WD-04017-S-6, Alt-nil, Item-1, Material Spec: As Per Drawing [Warranty Period: 30 Months after the date of delivery] [Inspection Agency: TPI, Stage Insp.: No, Stages:0] Qty: 4800 Nos. for New Jalpaiguri/GSD, NFR (West Bengal), P.L. No. 38100204.

SN.3. Tender No. 61/24/5311/OT/152/2024-25

Starliner returns to earth, without crew

AP NEW MEXICO

oeing's first astronaut mission ended Friday night B with an empty capsule landing and two test pilots still in space, left behind until next year because NASA judged their return too risky.

Six hours after departing the International Space Station, Starliner parachuted into New Mexico's White Sands Missile Range, descending on autopilot through the desert darkness. It was an uneventful close to a drama that began with the June launch of Boeing's longdelayed crew debut and quick ly escalated into a dragged-out cliffhanger of a mission stricken by thruster failures and helium leaks. For months, Butch Wilmore and Suni Williams return was in question as engineers struggled to understand the capsule's problems.

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Boeing insisted after extensive testing that Starliner was safe to bring the two home, but NASA disagreed and booked a flight with SpaceX instead. Their SpaceX ride won't launch until the end of this month, which means they'll be up there until February — more than eight months after blasting off on what should have been a quick trip.

Wilmore and Williams should have flown Starliner back to Earth by mid-June, a week after launching in it. But their ride to the space station was marred by the cascade of thruster trouble and helium loss, and NASA ultimately decided it was too risky to return them on Starliner.

So with fresh software updates. the fully automated capsule left with their empty seats and blue spacesuits along with some old station equipment.

PUBLIC NOTICE W/o SH. SATISH ARORA, R/o LIG FLAT NO.52 -E,BLOCK-CC, SECOND FLOOR, HARI NAGAF E,BLOCK-CC, SECOND FLOOR, HARI NAGAR, MAYA PURI, NEW DELHI-110064 has applied for conversion of the aforesaid flat from lease hold to free hold vide File No.F.90[94]. 78/HB (M) in DDA.The original documents i.e. POSSESSION LETTER of the above said flat has been lost. An NCR/LR NO.2098230/2024 dated 07.09.2024 to this effect has beer lodged in P.S.Crime Branch, Delhi. Any persor lodged in P.S.Crime Branch, Delhi. Any persor Iodged in P.S. Crime Branch, Delhi. Any persor (s) claiming any right, interest, having any objection or found in possession of origina documents, may write/contact with above named person at above Address/Phone N981943663 with in 15 days from the date of publication of this notice. The person claiming any right, interest, objection with respect to this property can personally inform or write the person end of the second second second second second second and the second his property,can personally inform or writ Deputy Director (LAB)H or Director(H),I



'She's on her way home," Williams radioed as the white and blue-trimmed capsule undocked from the space station 260 miles (420 kilometers) over China and disappeared into the black void.

Williams stayed up late to see how everything turned out. "A good landing, pretty awesome," said Boeing's Mission Control. Cameras on the space station and a pair of NASA planes caught the capsule as a white streak coming in for the touchdown, which drew cheer.

There were some snags during reentry, including more thruster

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issues, but Starliner made a "bull's-eye landing," said NASA's commercial crew program manager Steve Stich

Even with the safe return, "I think we made the right decision not to have Butch and Suni on board," Stich said at a news conference early Saturday. "All of us feel happy about the successful landing. But then there's a piece of us, all of us, that we wish it would have been the way we had planned it."

Boeing did not participate in the Houston news briefing. But two of the company's top space and defense officials, Ted

PUBLIC NOTICE

I, Mrs. Paromita Datta, W/o Mr. Sagar Datta, R/o C104 Divyajivan Aura Kudasan Gandhi nagar Gujarat have lost and

misplaced the original documents issued by DDA (i.e. Allotment Letter-cum-Demand Note, site Possession Letter, and NOC for

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Colbert and Kay Sears, told employees in a note that they backed NASA's ruling.

"While this may not have been how we originally envisioned the test flight concluding, we support NASA's decision for Starliner and are proud of how our team and spacecraft performed," the executives wrote. Starliner's crew demo capped a journey filled with delays and setbacks. After the space shuttles retired more than a decade ago, NASA hired Boeing and SpaceX for orbital taxi service. Boeing ran into so many problems on its first test flight with no one aboard in 2019 that it had to repeat it. The 2022 doover uncovered even more flaws and the repair bill topped \$1 billion.

SpaceX's crew ferry flight later this month will be its 10th for NASA since 2020. The Dragon capsule will launch on the halfyear expedition with only two astronauts since two seats are reserved for Wilmore and Williams for the return leg.

As veteran astronauts and retired Navy captains, Wilmore and Williams anticipated hurdles on the test flight. They've kept busy in space, helping with repairs and experiments. The two are now full-time station crew members along with the seven others on board.

Even before the pair launched on June 5 from Cape Canaveral, Florida, Starliner's propulsion system was leaking helium. The leak was small and thought to be isolated, but four more cropped up after liftoff. Then five thrusters failed. Although four of the thrusters were recovered, it gave NASA pause as to whether more malfunctions might hamper the capsule's descent from orbit.

Boeing conducted numerous thruster tests in space and on the ground over the summer, and was convinced its spacecraft could safely bring the astronauts back. But NASA could not get comfortable with the thruster situation and went with SpaceX.

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NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that the 30th Annual General Meeting ('AGM') of the members of Jindal Leasefin Limited will be held on Monday, September 30, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. at Kejriwal Farm House, Holambi Kalan Narela, Delhi - 110 082 to transact the business as set out in the Notice convening the AGM, in compliance with applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 ('Act') and rules made thereunder and SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 read with al the applicable circulars issued by MCA and SEBI.

in compliance with above Circulars, AGM Notice and the Annual Report for the financial year 2023-2 In companies with above circulars, some voice and the Amittal Report of the infrancial year 2002-c-ncluding the financial statements for the financial year ended March 31, 2024, has been sent only by small to all those members, whose email IDs are registered with the Depository Participants or the Company or Company's RTA, Beetal Financial & Computer Services Pvt. Ltd. The emailing of AGM Notice to all members has been completed. The soft copy of the AGM Notice and the Annual Report are also be available on the Company's website at <u>www.jindaileasefin.in</u>, website of BSE Limited at <u>www.bseindia.com</u> and on the website of CDSL at <u>www.evotingindia.com</u>.

The cut-off date for determining the eligibility to vote by remote e-voting or e-voling at the AGM shall be Monday, September 23, 2024 ("Cut-off date"). Shareholders of the Company, whose names appear in the register of members / list of beneficial owners as on Cut-off date, shall be entitled to vote electronically either through remote e-voting or e-voting at the AGM. A person who is not a shareholder as on the Cut-of date should treat this communication for information purposes only. The voting rights of shareholder shall be in proportion to their share in the paid-up equity share capital of the Company as on the Cut-o

Any person who acquires shares and becomes a member of the Company after dispatch of Notice and holds shares as on the Cut-off date, may obtain the login ID and password by sending a request at <u>helpdesk evoling@cdslindia.com</u>. However, if they are already registered with CDSL for e-voting, then they can use their existing user ID and password to cast their vote(s).

All the members are informed that the business(es) set out in the Notice may be transacted through emote e-voting or e-voting at the AGM. The remote e-voting facility will be available from September 27 2024 (09:00 a.m.) to September 29, 2024 (05:00 p.m.) The remote e-voting will not be allowed beyond the aforementioned date and time and the remote e-voting module will be forthwith disabled upon expiry of the aforesaid period. Once the vote is casted by the member on a resolution, the member will not be allowed to modify or change his/her vote subsequently. Shareholders who have casted their vote(s) by remote e-voling prior to the AGM may also attend the AGM but shall not be entitled to cast their voles, a gapin. Facility for e-voling will also be available at the AGM but shall not be entitled to cast their voles, a have not casted their vole on the resolution through remote e-voling and are not otherwise barred from doing so, shall be eligible to vote through the e-voling at the AGM.

case the shareholders have any queries or issues regarding e-voting, they may refer Frequently Asked Questions ("FAQs") and e-voting manual available at <u>www.evotingindia.com</u> under help section or send an email to <u>helpdesk.evoting@cdslindia.com</u> or call at toll free no. 1800 22 55 33. he Register of Members and Share Transfer Books of the Company will remain closed from Septembe

24, 2024 to September 30, 2024 (both days inclusive). By Order of the Board of Directors

For JINDAL LEASEFIN LIMITED

DATE : New Delhi PLACE : September 2, 2024

Rajendra Prasad Rustagi Company Secretary & Compliance Officer

SUPERIOR FINLEASE LIMITED

CIN: L74899DL1994PLC061995 Regd. Off: 92, Khasra No-33/21, Ranaji Enclave, Najafgarh, Near Arjun Park Bus Stand, New Delhi -110043; Email: <u>superiorfinlease@gmail.com;</u> Website: http://www.superiorfinlease.com; Phone No.: +91-9953798335 NOTICE OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING EVOTING INFORMATION

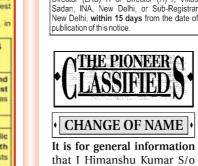


Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 (For immovable Properties)

Nereas the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of Indian Overseas Bank under the Securitization and econstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred inder Section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of security interest and Enforcement rules 2002 issued a Demand Notice at stailed here in below calling upon the borrower to repay the amount mentioned in the notice within 60days from the d freceipt of the said notice

he borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers /mortgagors /guarant ublic in general that the undersigned has taken symbolic possession of the property described herein below in f powers conferred on him under section 13(4) of the said act read with rule 8 of the said rules on mentioned da he borrowers / mortgagors/guarantors and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the prop ny dealing with the properties will be subject to the charges of the Indian Overseas Bank for the amounts and intere oned against the account herein below The borrowers/Mortgagors/Guarantor's attention is invited to the provisions of sub section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in

ole to them to red m the secured as Name and address of the **Description of the** Date of Demand Notice : 19.03.2024 Borrowers/Mortgagors/ Guarantors with Address Immovable properties M/s DAYNISH PRIYA SINGH Loan Outstanding on date of Demand All that part and parcel of the property consisting of Flat No SF-1, Second Floor in Survey No-Plot thereon at contractual rates & rests at Notice :Rs. 22,50,476.26 with interest FLAT NO-SF-1 SECOND FLOOR J-21/22, BALAJI agreed, charges No-21 & 22 Block -J City or Town ENCLAVE GALI NO-14 Survey No Flat No Sf-1, Second Date of Possession :-03.09.2024 Khasra No-1455, 1462 GOVINDPURA, GHAZIABA D. UTTAR PRADESH. within the registration sub-Loan Outstanding on date of Symbol Ghaziabad and District Ghaziabad Possession :-Rs.23.02.789.06 with 201001, PUSHP PRIYA Bounded interest thereon at contractual rates & res On the North by- Flat SI-2 On the South by- Plot no-28 On the East by- Road SINGH 30 A NEAR D.D.P.S. as agreed, charges SCHOOL NASIRPUR GHAZIABAD 201001 On the West by-Open UTTAR PRADESH Date : 03/09/2024 Sd/- Authorized Officer Place : Noida Indian Overseas Bank



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Closing/Opening date: 18-09-2024

Brief Description: High Viscous Nylon-66 Insulating Liner (HVN Liner) to RDSO Drg. No. T-8751 conforming to IRS specification no. T-44 2023 [Warranty Period: 30 Months after the date of delivery] [Inspection Agency: TPI, Stage Insp.: No, Stages :0] Qty- 251426 Nos. for SSE/P. WAY/TD/Bongaigaon, NFR (Assam), P.L.No- 601200030856.

SN.4. Tender No. 79/24/0987A/OT/153/2024-25, Closing/Opening date: 16-09-2024

Brief Description: Bed Sheet Polyvastra 229 cm x 140 cm (white made of KVIC/Handloom, polyvastra, Specification as per Annexure -A [Warranty Period: 30 months after the date of delivery] (i) Qtv-38940 Nos. for Katihar GSD, NFR (Bihar).ii) Qty- 1844 Nos. for New Jalpaiguri GSD, NFR(West Bengal). iii) Qty-22946 Nos. for Pandu GSD,NFR (Assam). P.L No-79337041.

SN.5. Tender No. 60/23/5064C/OT/154/2024-25. Closing/Opening date: 19-09-2024

Brief Description: 1. Rotary Screw Electrical Driven Air Compresso Cap: 500 CFM,10 kg/ cm sq. [Warranty Period: 24 Months after the date of delivery] (Inspection Agency: TPI, Stage Insp.: No, Stages: 0) i) Qty-1 set for SSE/MWS/Dibrugarh workshop,NFR (Assam). P.L. No-650506290019. 2. Cost of concomitant accessories according to the tender specifications. [Inspection Agency :TPI ,Stage Insp,:No,Stages:0]. Qty- 1 Set for SSE/MWS/ Dibrugarh Workshop, NFR (Assam), P.L. No 65050630, 3, Cost of Comprehensive AMC for 5 years after the warranty as per clause 17 (Consignee will start AMC completion of warranty period it required) [Inspection Agency: CONSG, stage Insp,: NA, Stages: 0] Qty-1 set for SSE/MWS/Dibrugarh workshop, NFR(Assam) 65050629. 4. Cost of any other accessory which in the opinion of supplier is essentially required for making the machine fully functional. [Inspection Agency: TPI, Stage Insp: No, Stages: 0] Qty-1 Set for SSE/MWS/ Dibrugarh workshop,NFR (Assam). 65050631 5. Cost of turnkey charges viz, foundation, installation & Commissioning etc. [Inspection Agency: CONSG, Stage Insp: NA, Stages:0]. Qty-1 Set for SSE/MWS/ Dibrugarh workshop, NFR (Assam). 65050632. 6. Cost of preventive maintenance during 1st and 2nd year of warranty period. [Inspection Agency: CONSG Stage Insp: NA, Stages: 0] Qty-1 set for SSE/MWS/ Dibrugarh Workshop NFR (Assam). 65050633. 7. Optional accessories with breakup of individual items as specified clause 4.3 of section IV. [Inspection Agency: TPI, Stage Insp.:No, Stages:0], Qtv-1 Set for SSE/MWS/Dibrugarh Workshop, NFR (Assam), P.L No 65050634, 8, Consumables as per clause 6 of section V with break up of individual Items as applicable. [Inspection Agency: TPI, Stage Insp.:No,Stages: 0]. Qty-1 Set for SSE/MES/Dibrugarh Workshop, NFR (Assam) P.L.No 65050635. 9. Spares with break up of Individual items as per clause 5 and clause 13 of section V [Inspection Agency: TPI, Stage Insp.: No, Stages: 0] Qty -1 set for SSE/MWS/Dibrugarh workshop NFR (Assam). P.L.No.- 65050636. 10. The power consumption cost for 4400 hrs of operation (Considering 2200 hrs/year i.e for 2 year at full rated capacity as per clause 2.2) [Inspection Agency: CONSG, stages Insp: NA,Stages:0] Qty-1 Set for SSE/MWS/Dibrugarh Workshop, NFR (Assam). P.L.No. -65050637.

Note: For full details of tender notice and tender documents, tenderer may log on to the website (www.ireps.gov.in). Prospective bidder who intend to participate in above tender are required to log on themselves with the above website and submit their offer electronically, if they are already registered with IREPS. In Case they are not registered with IREPS, they are advised to obtain class-III Digital Signature Certificate from the certifying agencies under Govt. of India IT Act 2000 and participate in the above tenders.

Regd Address: RZ-1484/28, Ground Floor, Tughlakabad Ext. New Delhi-110019

NOTICE OF 34th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING **E-VOTING INFORMATION AND BOOK CLOSURE**

1.Notice is hereby given that the 34th Annual General Meeting ("AGM") of SCAGROTECH LIMITED ("the Company") will be held on Saturday 30th Septembe 2024 at 11:00 A.M through Video Conferencing (VC)/other Audio Visual Means(OAVM). To transact the business that will be set forth in the notice of the

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The aforesaid Notice and the Annual report of the Company for the year ended 31st March 2024 will be sent in electronic mode to all the members whose e b) The doresain to the share and the share to company for the year ended 51st match 2024 with the end of the relation to the dore and the members at match 2024 with the Company/Depository participants. The notice of the AGM and the Annual report will also be available and can be dow from the website of the Company i.e., www.scagrotech.in and on website of the Bombay Stock Exchange i.e. Www.bseindia.com. 3. In this regard, the Members are hereby further notified that: a) The Company has completed the dispatch of Notice of 34th AGM along with the Annual Report 2023-24.

Place : New Delhi

b) The Company is pleased to provide all its members (holding shares both in physical and in electronic form) the facility to exercise their vote through remot voting to be provided by CDSL. Members of the company holding shares in physical or dematerialized form as on the cut-off date i.e.20th September 2024 ay cast their vote through remote e-voting. The remote e-voting shall commerce on 24th September 2024 (10:00 A.M) and end on 29th September 2024 a 00 PM

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For physical shareholders please provide necessary details like folio no. name of shareholders, scanned copy of the share certificate (front and back), pancard (self-attested), Aadhar card (Self attested) by email to company (sheel 102@gmail.com)/ RTA (info@skylinerta.com). For Demat shareholders please provide Demat account ledails (CDSL-16 digit beneficiary ID) or NSDL 16 digit (DPID-CUID), Name, client master or copy of Consolidated Account statement, Pan card (self-attested), Aadharcard (Self attested) to (sheel 102@gmail.com)/ RTA (info@skylinerta.com).

Pursuant to section 91 of the Companies Act, 2013 and regulation 42 of the SEBI (LODR) Regulation 2015, the register of members and share transfe cocks of the company shall remain closed from 21st September 2024 to 30th September 2024(both day inclusive) for the AGM to be held on 30th September 024

5. Only those members who have registered themselves as a speaker by mail at sheel102@gmail.com before 7 days of AGM will be allowed to express thei

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5. Any person who acquires shares of the company and becomes member of the company after dispatch of the notifice and holding shares as of the cut off date.
e20th September 2024. May obtain the login ID and password by sending a request at hittp://www.evoting@cdslindia.com.
7. For the process and manner of remote e-voting, members may go through the remote e-voting instructions sent via email to the members whose e-mail IDS

e registered with the company/ Depository participant and physical copy sent to the other members or visit CDSL website https://evotingcdslindia.com 8. If you have any queries or issues regarding attending AGM & E-voting from the e-voting system, you may refer the FAQ and e-voting manual available a www.evotingindia.com.under help section or write an email to helpdesk evoting@cdslindia.com or contact 1800-1020-990 at evoting@cdslindia.com v. evotingindia.com, under help section or write an email to helpdesk.evoting@cdslindia.com Date :06.09.2024

By order of the Board FOR SC AGROTECH Limited

Vijay Kumar Jothani Company Secretary & Compliance Officer

Indian Overseas Bank

14-15, Farm Bhawan, Nehru Place, New Delhi 110019 Email: iob0543@iob.in

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

[Under Proviso to Rule 8(6) of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules]

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interes Act, 2002 read with provison to Rule 8(6) Of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable properties mortgaged harged to Indian Overseas Bank, the possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Indian Overseas Bank, will be sold on "As is where is" s what is" and "Whatever there is" basis as per details mentioned hereunder

	NAMES OF BORROWERS	INDIAN OVERSEAS	DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY		RESERVE PRICE EARNEST MONEY DEPOSIT	LAST DATE FOR SUBMISSION
		BANK AS ON 31.08.2024	KNOWN ENCUMBRANCES IF ANY:		BID INCREMENT	OF EMD
_			Not Known		Constraint States	CONTACT PERSON
1	(Borrower/Mortgager) Address (Last Known): Flat No: S-5, 2 rd Floor, Plot no-44, Sector-09, Vasundhara Apartment, Rohini, New Delbi- 110085) 2. Sunuch Apagual	(Rupees Two Crore four Lakhs forty three Thousand five fifty nine- and Palsa Seventy-Two Only)***	Measuring 96.40sq Mtrs of plinth area in the name of Mr. Sanjay Aggarwal	PHYSICAL POSSESSION	Rs.1,94,00,000/- (Reserve Price is inclusive of 1% TDS as per IT Act U/s 194-IA)	27.09.2024 (Between 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM with auto extension of Ten minutes each till sale is completed)
	(Co-Borrower) Address (Last Known): Flat No: S-5, 2 st Floor, Plot no-44,	Terry Martines and the second s	Boundaries of the Property:		Rs.19,40,000/-	On or before 26.09.2024
	Sector-09, Vasundhara	the date of repayment in	North: Open South: Open		Rs. 50,000/-	till 4:00 PM
	Apartment, Rohini, New Delhi- 110085	full				Rahul Singh (8925950543)

* E-Auction will be held through web portal PSB Alliance eBkray URL: https://ebkray.in Date of Inspection: 17.09.2024 (From 11:00 AM to 5:00 PM

	* Date of Inspection: 17.09.2024 (From 11:00 AM to 5:00 PM).			
	Date : 07.09.2024	Place : New Delhi	Authorised Officer, Indian Overseas Bank	Date: 07.09.2024 Place: New Delhi

actual name of my father is Munesh Kumar which may be amended accordingly.

PD(728)C I. Mahesh Chand S/o Sh. Hari Chand Tanwar R/o House no. 588, Dera Village, Dera, South Delhi-110074, have changed my name to Mahesh Tanwar for all purposes.

PD(729)C I, Sarika Aggarwal D/o Shri Krishan Murari H.No.13-B, J-&-K, Extention Terrier hereby declare that My correct name is Sarika Aggarwal and henceforth for all purposes. I shall be known as Sarika Aggarwal in future and I hereby declare Sarika Aggarwal and Sarika is the same and one person.

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Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting ("AGM") of the Superior Finlease Limited ("the Company") is scheduled to be held on Monday, 30" September, 2024 at 02:00 PM IST through Video conferencing (VC) other Audio-Visual means ("OAVM") to transact the Business as set forth in the notice of the AGM dated 06" September, 2024

In view of the Circular General Circular numbers 20/2020, 14/2020/ 17/2020 and all other applicable laws and circular issued by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs, the Company has decided to conduct the AGM of the Company through VC/OAVM.

n compliance with the aforesaid applicable Circulars, the Notice of the AGM along with the Annual Report for the FY 2023-24 have been sent only through electronic mode to those members whose mail addresses are registered with the Registrar and share Transfer agents i.e. Skyline Financial Services Private Limited ("RTA") of the Company and Depositories. The Dispatch of notice and nnual report of the AGM through email has been completed on 07th September, 2024.

The notice of the AGM and the Annual report for the Financial Year 2023-24 is available on the vebsite and can be downloaded from the Company's website i.e. https://www.superiorfinlease.com/ he Bombay Stock Exchange of India Limited ("BSE") i.e. https://www.bseindia.com/ and Metropolitan Stock Exchange of India Limited website https://www.msei.in/. Alternatively embers can send email to the Company at superiorfinlease@gmail.com or the Company's RTA t admin@skylinerta.com to obtain the same.

Members may note that the Register of Members and share transfer Books of the Company shall remain closed from Tuesday, 24" September, 2024 to Monday, 30" September 2024 both days inclusive) for the purpose of reckoning shareholders for the purpose of AGM.

Manner for registering email addresses with the depositories for procuring user ID and bassword and registration of email ids for e-voting for the resolutions set out in the notice:

- In case shares are held in physical mode, please send a request to Registrar and Transfer Agents of the Company i.e Skyline Financial Services Private Limited ("RTA") at info@skylinerta.com providing folio No., Name of shareholder, scanned copy of the share certificate (front and Back), PAN (self-attested scanned copy of PAN card), Aadhar (selfattested scanned copy of Aadhar Card) for registering e-mail address.
- In case shares are held in dematerialized mode, please contact your Depository Participant (DP) and register your email address and bank account details in your Demat account, as per the process advised by your DP.
- Alternatively, shareholders/Members may send a request to evoting@nsdl.co.in for procuring user id and password for e-voting by providing above mentioned documen

ting through electronic means

In compliance with the provisions of section 108 of the Companies Act, 2013 read with Rule 20 of the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules 2014 (as amended) and Regulation 44 of the SEBI (Listing Obligation & Disclosure Requirement) Regulations 2015 (as amended) and applicable circulars, the Company is providing facility of remote e-voting to its members in respect of the business to be transacted at the AGM. The Company has engaged the services of NSDL as authorized e-voting agency and has made necessary arrangements with them for facilitating voting through electronic means In order to cast votes through remote e-voting, the members may visit the website https://evoting.nsdl.com/

The Cut-off date for the purpose of voting (including remote e-voting) is Monday, 23" September 2024,

The remote e-voting facility will be available during the following period after which the portal shall forthwith be locked and shall not be available by NSDL:

Commencement of remote e-voting	09:00 A.M(IST) on Thursday 26 [™] September, 2024
End of remote e-voting	05:00 P.M.(IST) on Sunday, 29th September, 2024.

- During the above period, members holding shares either in physical form or in Dematerialized form, as on Monday, 23rd September 2024, i.e. cut-off date, may cast their vote electronically. Members who have acquired shares after the cut-off date may obtain the User ID and password by sending a request at evoting@nsdl.co.in or admin@skylinerta.com o superiorfinease@gmail.com. Members who have cast their vote by remote e-voting prior to the AGM may also
- attend/participate in the AGM through VC/OAVM but shall not be entitled to cast their vote again. The detailed procedure and manner for remote e-voting is available on www.evoting.nsdl.com and in the AGM Notice.

rocedure for attending the AGM through VC/OAVM

Members are provided with a facility to attend the AGM through VC/OAVM by the Company. The link for VC/OAVM is available in the notice of the AGM. Those members who will be present in the AGM through VC/OAVM facility and have not cast their vote on the resolutions through remote eroting and are otherwise not barred from doing so, shall be eligible to vote through-voting syster Juring the AGM

In case of any query, you may refer the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) for shareholders and e-voting user manual for shareholders available at the downloads section of www.evoting.nsdi.com or contact NSDL on 022-4886 7000 and 022-2499 7000 or send a request tevoting@nsdl.co.in

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FROM J&K BATTLEFIELD TO PARALYMPICS BRONZE: **SEMA'S INSPIRATIONAL JOURNEY THROUGH HARDSHIPS**

n a quiet October day in 2002, a young soldier's dreams were shattered in a heartbeat in the volatile terrain of Jammu and Kashmir's Chowkibal.

An unexpected explosion ended the ambition of Havildar Hokato Hotozhe Sema to join the Special Forces.

That landmine blast during an anti-terrorist operation claimed his left leg below the knee, inflicting immense physical pain and mental trauma. Sema's world went dark, or everyone thought so.

But for Sema, it was the beginning of an extraordinary journey of resilience, courage, and fierce determination to rebuild life - a process he went through at the Army Paralympic Node, BEG Centre in Pune.

Twenty-two years later, at the swank State de France, the 40-year-old Indian shot-putter came up with his career-best throw of 14.65 metres to secure a bronze medal in the men's F57 category at the Paralympics to swell the country's medal haul to 27 (six gold, nine silver and 12 bronze). His rise in para-athletics has been

nothing short of inspiring. He quickly distinguished himself with his sheer willpower in the F57 category, which includes athletes with limb deficiencies and impaired muscle power.

Sema was encouraged by senior army officials at the Pune-based Artificial



Limb Centre to take up shot put after seeing his fitness as he embraced the sport in 2016 at the age of 32. That year, he travelled to Jaipur to compete in the National Para Athletics Championships. A silver at Asian Para Games in Hangzhou.

Ashwin favours DRS in domestic cricket, calls it a helping agent to young batters



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rehabilitation.

However,



AP LONDON

England fast bowler Mark Wood will miss the rest of

stiffness in his elbow during Senior spinner Ravichandran BCCI's the test series against the West move to have DRS in the Indies in July and played the first test against Sri Lanka in ongoing Duleep Trophy, saying Manchester last month managing the discomfort whilst he was bowling. it will help an upcoming batter to make necessary technical tweaks before his possible During that match at Old initiation into international

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Trafford, Wood also sustained cricket. Ashwin was pinning his argument on the leg before dismissal of India D batsman a right thigh injury and that was given as the reason why he hasn't featured in the second Ricky Bhui against India C leftand third tests against Sri arm spinner Manav Suthar in scans the Anantapur-leg of Duleep have confirmed Wood has a bone stress injury in his elbow,

Trophy on Friday evening. Bhui was batting on 44 and looked fluent but he stretched forward to play a defensive prod, and got pinged on his pads.

The on-field umpire initially didn't give him out as the bowle was forced to resort to



foot forward, using pad as the first line of defence while tucking the bat behind the pads. In pre-DRS days, the former

West Indian batter Jimmy employed this technique quite routinely to escape from lbw, so much that

Ashwin alluded to that. "Now, keeping your bat behind the pad can be fatal, imagine someone making the climb to international cricket without getting this experience Ricky

entire Test series to understand what he needs to work on and his career could well be over," he wrote.

However, the DRS, first introduced in the domestic circuit during the 2019-20 season, is yet to be fully implemented in domestic matches

It is still restricted to big-ticket domestic matches such as Ranji Trophy semifinals and finals.

Initially, the DRS came without the UltraEdge feature and it during the 2022 .23 domestic



India look to start fresh Iran's Yasin Khosravi, the 31-year-old two-time para world champion, clinched the top spot with a Paralympic record of 15.96m, while Brazil's Thiago Dos Santos took the cilvar (15.06m) after Olympic bronze, eye title defence

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"A proud moment for our nation as Hokato Hotozhe Sema brings home the Bronze medal in Men's Shot Put The Indian men's hockey team will look to press the F57! His incredible strength and restart button after a successful Olympic campaign Congratulations to him. Best wishes and defend its Asian for the endeavours ahead," PM Modi Champions Trophy title when it open its campaign against Sema has been supported by the hosts China here on Sunday. Khelo India initiative and his training, After bagging back-to-back boarding, and lodging were taken care of by the National Centre of Olympic bronze medals, India will start as favourites to defend their ACT title against top hockey playing nations of Asia in the form of China, Japan, Pakistan, Korea and

> Malaysia. Last year, India won the title at home, making them the only team to bag four titles in the history of the tournament. Back from a short break after the Paris Olympics, India skipper Harmanpreet Singh is keen on continuing their dominance in the continental championships.

'The Asian Champions Trophy last year gave us the right momentum going into the Asian Games and followed it up with the Olympic Games triumph of standing on the podium yet again. This time too, we want to begin the fresh Olympic cycle by winning this tournament," Harmanpreet said ahed of their tournament

opener. While we have 10 members from the Olympic side playing in this tournament, we have a few youngsters trying to make their impact in the team. "In terms of game point-of-

the world. "The excitement of hosting view, our attacking and the first international penalty corners are our forte tournament here is quite evident and we are looking forward to playing quality matches and entertaining the hockey-loving people of this

to be made. Ricky Bhuvi's (Bhui) dismissal last evening against Manav Suthar is a classic case of a batter who will get away with this technique 10/10 times in FC cricket,"

Ashwin wrote on his official X Adams "This was not a faulty technique pre DRS but now it he received the moniker is. Back in the day batters were 'Padams".

But now, the bowlers have the was later added to the system option of leaning on DRS to

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grit and physical strength.

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Prime Minister Narendra Modi described Sema's win a "proud moment" for the nation while hailing

his incredible strength and

determination are exceptional.

Excellence (NCoE) scheme.

finishing fourth. But

determination never wavered.

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field.

got yesterday. He could very well take an

world ranking points and we are ready for the challenge," he added. After China, India will take on Japan in their second

match on September 9, followed by games against last year's runners-up Malaysia on September 11, Korea on September 12 and arch-rivals Pakistan on September 14.

tournament for us in terms of

The semifinal and final are scheduled for September 16 and 17.

Young India midfielder Vivek Sagar Prasad, who has been named as Harmanpreet's deputy for this tournament, said this would give them a chance to see other teams' progress ahead of the 2026

Asian Games. This tournament is one of the most exciting ones in the Asian Hockey calendar. We will also get to see the progress the Asian teams are making in the new cycle as they will play with a fresh group of players keeping in

mind the Asian Games in 2026," said Vivek, who will replace Hardik Singh as vicecaptain. Vivek is mesmerised by the scenic view and facilities on

offer here. "We arrived here earlier this week and have got good time on the pitch. The weather is suitable for us, but it gets a bit cold in the evening. The facility is incredible and perhaps one of the most beautiful hockey venues in

injury, ruling him out of the test tours of Pakistan in October and New Zealand in December Wood, England's quickest February.

2025, in time for England's white-ball tour of India and the Champions Trophy in Pakistan that's scheduled to begin in

England said on Friday, and he

will continue to work closely

with the ECB medical team on

England said Wood is aiming

to return to full fitness by early

management and

the Decision Review System, which favoured the bowler's plea for a leg before dismissal.

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Ashwin's observation was spot on because in earlier days, thDRS for domestic cricket is umpires hardly gave a batter accord not just for the right decisions out if he had plonked his front career.

overturn the on-field decision, and the batters will have to adjust their style of play accordingly early in their

But the full version of the DRS a

season, albeit only for the final. | but we will be looking to play structured defence, is available for the ongoing | particularly against teams like Duleep Trophy matches in Bengaluru and Anantapur. | Japan, Malaysia and Pakistan. hockey-loving p This is an important region," he said.

Haaland kept scoreless by Kazakhstan's five-man defense in Nations League; Italy and Belgium win

AP ROME

Maybe the English Premier League teams struggling to contain Erling Haaland should consider employing the 5-4-1 formation that Kazakhstan used against Norway on Friday.

Kazakhstan's yellow-clad defenders swarmed around Haaland for the full 90 minutes of a 0-0 draw in the Nations League and kept the striker scoreless following his consecutive hat tricks in the

Premier League. Haaland failed to hit the target with any of his four shots during a match in which Norway had 65% of the possession and produced 19 shots to Kazakhstan's four. Haaland has seven goals in three Premier League matches for Manchester City this season and hadn't been held scoreless for nearly a month - since City won the Community Shield in a penalty shootout over Manchester United on Aug. 10. Haaland did find the target in the shootout of the Community Shield, though. Haaland has been the joint top scorer with six goals in each of the past two editions of the Nations League. Overall, he has 31 goals in 34 matches for Norway. He still needs two more goals to match Norway recordholder Jørgen Juve, who scored 33 from 1928-37. On Wednesday, Haaland was among the 30 players

After Bradley Barcola put nominated for the Ballon ďOr.

Norway is in League B of the Nations League, in a group with Austria and Slovenia, who drew 1-1 after both sides advanced to the knockout stages of the European Championship ITALIAN STYLE: Italy turned on the style to beat France 3-1 in Paris for the

first time in 70 years.

France ahead 13 seconds in, Italy struck back with goals from Federico Dimarco, Davide Frattesi and Giacomo Raspadori. Barcola's first international goal came after Italy full back Giovanni Di Lorenzo lost

possession, allowing Barcola to advance on goal and shoot past the onrushing Gianluigi Donnarumma.

DiMarco's equalizer was an extraordinary angled volley into the far corner following an exchange with Sandro Tonali, who provided the assist with a backheel flick. Frattesi scored his sixth goal in 20 appearances - impressive production for a midfielderby redirecting a cross from Mateo Retegui.

Then Raspadori, a substitute, sealed it by concluding a

counterattack. youth Spalletti's movementAfter losing to Switzerland in the round of 16 at Euro 2024, Italy coach Luciano Spalletti eliminated over-30 players like Francesco Acerbi, Jorginho, Darmian Matteo and

Stephan El Shaarawy from his squad. Dimarco is 26 and Frattesi and Raspadori are 24. "It was not easy to get back on track after the Euros," Dimarco said. "We needed

this victory to raise the morale of the team. De Bruyne braceKevin De Bruyne scored twice for Belgium in a 3-1 win over Israel in neutral Hungary. De Bruyne put Belgium ahead after being set up by his Manchester City clubmate Jeremy Doku and converted a second-half

converted a second-name penalty. Youri Tielemans restored Belgium's advantage following an own goal for Israel by Belgium full back Timothy Castagne. The game was in Debrecen after the Belgian soccer federation said in July "no

stage a game against Israel

quarterfinalist Turkey was held to 0-0 at Wales after playing the final half hour with 10 men after Baris Alper Yilmaz was sent off for two yellows. Former Wales captain Craig Bellamy

made his debut as Wales coach - his first senior

Thorsteinsson. League CRomania won 3-0 coaching role.at Kosovo and Cyprus beatseedings decided by FIceland beat Montenegro 2-0Lithuania 1-0. The Europeanworld rankings updatedwith goals from Orri Steinnqualifying groups for theNovember after NatiOskarsson and Jon Dagur2026 World Cup will beLeague group play ends.

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Fritz wins an all American matchup against Tiafoe in 5 to reach the US Open final against Sinner

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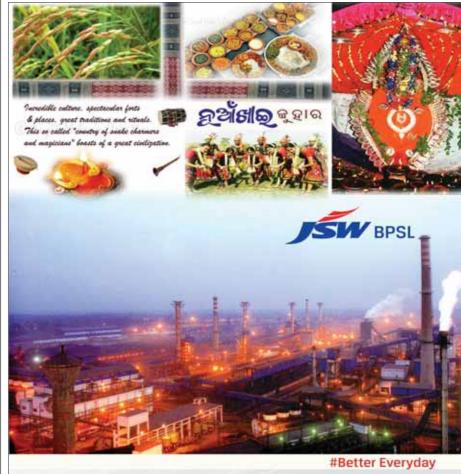
When Taylor Fritz, a 26-year-old from California, and Frances Tiafoe, a 26-yearold from Maryland, strode under the Arthur Ashe Stadium lights Friday night for the first

soon it was over. They met at the net for an embrace. Sinner, a 23year-old from Italy exonerated in a doping case less than three weeks ago, finished off a 7-5, 7-6 (3), 6-2 victory over No. 25 Jack Draper on Friday that featured

game, but broke right back and seemed to reflect the players' his racket or nodding while

shaking a raised fist or worked with Venus Williams gritting his teeth or wagging for many years, as well as

Jessica Pegula, the American in the U.S. Open women's final Saturday against Aryna Sabalenka - stood and got noisy, point after point after point.



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a six-game run against a fading and frustrated Tiafoe to come out on top 4-6, 7-5, 4-6, 6-4, 6-1

There was a burst of clapping right before the initial point, a curtain-raiser befitting the show about to unfold. Once the

contest got going, maybe the momentum shifts made it tough

to choose between a pair of close pals who've known each

other since they were playing

tournaments for kids younger

than 14. In the end, the roars

were for Fritz, who surged with

to support.

and reach his first Grand Slam final. "It's the reason why I do what I do," Fritz told the fans, his voice cracking during a postmatch interview. "It's the reason why I work so hard."

The No. 12-seeded Fritz's momentum-shift-filled victory Sunday.

U.S. Open semifinal matching simultaneous treatment of both two American men in 19 years, competitors by trainers deep in the crowd might have been forgiven for not knowing which the 1 1/2-hour second set. "It was a very physical match, as we see," said Sinner, who

won the Australian Open in January. "I just tried to stay there mentally.

He got his left wrist massaged after falling during a point he managed to win; Draper needed medical attention after vomiting twice in a game with the temperature in the high 70s and the humidity above 60%. During that break in the action, a vacuum was used to clear the ground behind the baseline and finish the cleaning job Draper, a 22year-old from Britain, tried to do himself by wiping his, um, mess with a towel. There was none of that sort of drama away from the actual

play in Tiafoe vs. Fritz. The respective guest boxes



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"People say to me, 'You're so lucky. You get to see the world.' But I don't. I go to the hotel and to the pools and back again. That's it" — Michael Phelps

n the last two years, India's travel and tourism industry has flourished in an unprecedented manner. In the past, Westerners and even visitors from other Asian countries associated India mainly with landmarks like the Taj Mahal, Lal Qila, Qutub Minar, and Jama Masjid. Although India had several opportunities in the 1980s and 1990s to showcase its rich heritage to the world, leadership failed to seize the moment and market the country's lesser-known attractions. Events like the Non-Aligned Movement meeting in 1982 and the Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting in 1984 were limited to New Delhi. The same pattern followed during the SAARC summit under Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi's tenure.

The world, however, took notice during Chinese President Xi Jinping's visit to India in 2014, where Prime Minister Narendra Modi hosted him in Ahmedabad and Raj Nagar, Gujarat. This visit stood out for the unprecedented camaraderie between Modi and Xi. The "Chai Pe Charcha" and stroll along the Sabarmati River, along with traditional Gujarati delicacies, were a new experience for Xi (though, in an ironic twist, while enjoying hot and crispy pakoras, Xi had already instructed the PLA to provoke incidents along the India-China border).

After this visit, India hosted several significant events, including the G-20 summit. For the first time in India's history, global dignitaries were taken beyond the capital to experience the diversity of the subcontinent. They were captivated by India's opulence and natural beauty, pushing the country to the forefront of desirable travel destinations.

India truly has something for everyone. The enchanting beauty of Kashmir, the stunning landscapes of the northeast, the lush jungles of the south, and the winding rivers of Krishna, Kaveri, and Godavari, along with the mesmerizing western coastline, are sure to attract hundreds of thousands of tourists every year. The concept of tourism has evolved over the last decade, and it is no longer just about leisure. The serene locations across India can rejuvenate the spirit, and the ancient Ayurvedic medicine system offers a holistic experience, revitalizing both body and soul.

An untapped potential in India's tourism sector is MICE tourism—Meetings, Incentives, Conferences, and Exhibitions. Pradeep Shetty, president of the Federation of Hotel and Restaurant Associations of India, believes that MICE tourism could play a crucial role in positioning India as a global tourism



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UNVEILING THE FUTURE OF INDIA'S HOSPITALITY AND TOURISM INDUSTRY

PRADEEP SHETTY, President of the Federation of Hotel and Restaurant Associations of India (FHRAI), is currently preparing for the association's 54th annual convention, set to take place in October 2024. In an exclusive interview with *Kumar Chellappan*, Shetty shared insights into the immense potential of India's hospitality and tourism sector, its challenges, and the expectations from both the central and state governments

What is the real potential of the hospitality and tourism industry?

India's hospitality and tourism industry is on a remarkable growth trajectory. According to Mordor Intelligence, the sector is projected to reach a valuation of USD 247.31 billion by 2024, with forecasts indicating it could soar to USD 475.37 billion by 2029, growing at a compound annual growth rate (CAGR) of 13.96%. Key trends driving this growth include a shift towards sustainable tourism, with ecofriendly accommodations and communitybased initiatives gaining traction. India's rich cultural heritage, diverse landscapes, and geopolitical stability further bolster this expansion. However, to fully capitalize on its potential, the industry must address sustainability, infrastructure development, and adaptability to evolving consumer preferences.



What are the prospects for job creation in the hotel and restaurant industry over the coming years?

India's hospitality and tourism sector has the potential to generate 50 million direct and indirect jobs in the next 5-7 years. This growth will depend on robust government support, including granting industry and infrastructure status at various levels. The sector's resilience and strategic investments, along with effective policy implementation, are critical for shaping its business-friendly environment by simplifying licensing and permits. Public-private partnerships and engagement with industry stakeholders are also key to enhancing tourism growth.

Has the Government of India shown any commitment to granting infrastructure status to the hospitality sector? The Government of India's interest in granting infrastructure status to the hospitality sector is a promising development. If approved, this status could attract Associations of India (FHRAI), founded in 1955, is the apex hospitality association in India and the third largest globally. It represents 55,000 hotels and 500,000 restaurants across the country. FHRAI advocates for the industry's interests, engaging with government bodies, regulatory agencies, and other stakeholders to promote growth and address challenges.

What are the major issues facing the industry, and what do you expect the government to do about them?

powerhouse.

Beyond its cultural and scenic wealth, the sector offers immense job and business potential, catering to both skilled and unskilled labour, as well as entrepreneurs. Hotels in India are no longer limited to luxury chains like Taj Residencies or Hilton. Even clean, hygienic, and safe accommodations that serve regional cuisine with a smile can qualify as excellent hospitality options,

regardless of star ratings.

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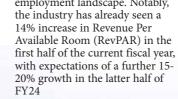
How do you view the current and future employment trends in the hospitality sector? Despite challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic, the hospitality sector is expected to rebound strongly. The India Food Services Report-2024 projects that by 2025, the sector will employ approximately ten million people. The industry's resilience, coupled with advancements in accommodation and government initiatives to promote tourism, supports its significant role in job creation.



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What does the industry expect from the Government of India and state governments? The industry seeks favorable policies that encourage investment, reduce regulatory burdens, and provide tax incentives. Essential infrastructure development, such as improved roads, airports, and connectivity, is crucial. State governments should align regional policies with national goals, streamline hotel project approvals, and support skill development through training programs. Promoting India as a global destination requires targeted campaigns that highlight its cultural diversity and unique experiences. Post-pandemic, enforcing health and safety protocols is vital for rebuilding traveler confidence, while state governments should foster sustainable tourism and create a

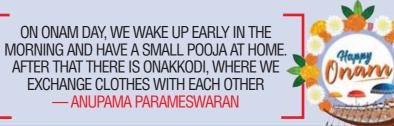
more investments and empower the sector to contribute to the development of the 50 new destinations recently announced by the government.

What benefits would infrastructure status bring to the industry?

Granting infrastructure status to the hospitality sector could provide access to more favorable financing options, including better interest rates. Currently, the lack of industry status in several states results in higher power tariffs and interest rates. Infrastructure status would incentivize both domestic and international investments, fostering stability and growth within the sector.

As the current President of FHRAI, how well is the Federation positioned to address these issues with regulators? The Federation of Hotel and Restaurant The hospitality industry faces several critical challenges that require strategic solutions. First, GST rationalization is needed to implement a uniform rate of 12% across all hotels. Second, separating GST on food services from room rates would address high costs and complex regulations. Third, granting infrastructure status would provide access to better financing options and encourage investment. Finally, uniform sectoral reforms and streamlined business processes under the Business Reforms Action Plan (BRAP) would attract more investments. The government should simplify regulations, support infrastructure development, and provide incentives for training and technology to foster a vibrant and resilient tourism industry. Addressing these issues will enhance service quality and support industry growth.







BY SHARMILA CHAND

nam, the harvest festival of Kerala, is renowned for its grand feast known as the Šadhya. Also known as Thiru-Onam or Thiruvonam, this is a harvest festival that celebrates the return of King Mahabali/Maveli to his beloved state. It's a time of thanksgiving for the bountiful crops. Truly, what adds to the festival is the tradition of the 'Onam Sadhva'.

Traditionally, an Onam Sadhya consists of around 24 to 64 dishes. What sets this meal apart is its intricate balance of tastes-sweet, sour, salty, bitter, and spicy—all harmoniously combined to create a delightful experience. The number of dishes vary based on the

region. There is a specific order in which the dishes are served on the banana leaf. It usually starts with serving the rice, followed by various curries, pickles, and desserts.

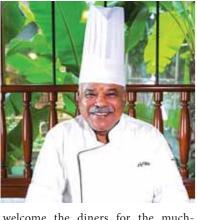
Interestingly, the feast is traditionally eaten with the hands, believed to enhance the sensory experience of the varied flavours. Families and communities come together to enjoy the feast, which is a way to celebrate the bountiful harvest, express gratitude, and bring people together in a spirit of joy and togetherness.

People decorate their homes with floral arrangements called "Pookkalam" and wear traditional attire during the festival for a holistic experience, an integral and cherished part of the celebration.

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welcome the diners for the much-awaited ADIPOLI ONAM SADHYA feast. This exclusive culinary experience promises an immersive experience for guests to the rich flavors of Kerala, in authentic style.

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At Santosham, which aptly translates to 'Happiness' or 'Joy' in Malayalam and Tamil, the team is passionate about delivering an experience that lives up to its name.

Founded in May 2022, Santosham Foods has become synonymous with genuine South Indian flavors in Mumbai. While the city is known for its love of South Indian cuisine, finding those truly authentic tastes amidst a sea of fusion trends is rare. That's where Santosham comes in, offering a slice of home with every dish.

The Head Chef and Co-Founder, Bhagyalakshmi Gohokar, brings her rich heritage to her kitchen. Growing up in the bustling environment of Shanti Bhavan in Nagpur, she has always been surrounded by the irresistible aroma of freshly brewed filter coffee and crispy medu vadas. Her childhood memories of watching the magic of South Indian cooking unfold have inspired her to bring these authentic flavours to Mumbai.

This year's celebration promises to be even more memorable, with a menu featuring over 40 traditional dishes that will transport your taste buds straight to South India. From the rich and sweet South India. From the rich and sweet Palada Pradhaman to the spicy and tangy Lemon Achar & Manga Kari, each dish is crafted with love and care, reflecting the true spirit of Onam. "Last year, we had the pleasure of serving over 2,000 delighted diners during Onam, and this year, we're set to create even more unforgettable

create even more unforgettable experiences. Our Sadya is not just a meal; it's a vibrant celebration of tradition, culture and culinary

56 authentic dishes that capture the true essence of Southern India. Upon arrival, guests will be greeted with a refreshing Kachia Moru (Buttermilk) or a warm Thakkali Rasam (Tomato Soup), setting the tone for the culinary journey ahead. The feast unfolds with a variety of crispy and flavorful chips, including Banana Chips, Jackfruit Chips, Plantain Chips, and the ever-popular Nendrankai Chips. Guests can indulge in an array of traditional breads like Appam, Kal Dosa, and Malabari Paratha with main course, which includes a diverse selection of vegetarian dishes that celebrate the harvest. From Olan (Chowlibeans & White Pumpkin) and Kalan (Suran) to the flavorful Avial and Kootu Curry and much more, each dish is a celebration of Kerala's culinary heritage. A variety of pachadis (pickles) such as Vellari Pachadi (Cucumber Pickle), Pavakkai Pachadi (Ridge Gourd Pickle), Bhindi Pachadi (Okra Pickle), and Manga Curry (Mango Curry) add a tangy twist to the meal. Complementing the spread are rice preparations including Red Rice, Steamed Rice, Lemon Sevai, and Coconut Sevai.

To conclude the meal, guests can indulge in a range of traditional sweets Ada Pradhaman, Kadala like Pradhaman (Black Gram Payasam), and Mambazha Pradhaman/Chakka Pradhaman (Mango/Jackfruit Payasam), along with other delightful treats like Pazham Pori (Banana Fritters) and Panchamrutham (Sweet Nectar).

Step in and you will be transported to Kerala with the venue adorned in beautifully arranged banana leaves and vibrant rangoli patterns. Enhancing the authenticity, the staff will be dressed in traditional South Indian attire adding a genuine touch of Kerala's rich heritage to your dining experience. The ADIPOLI ONAM SADHYA at South of Vindhyas is not just a meal; it's a celebration of culture, tradition, and the joy of sharing food with loved ones. The meticulously prepared dishes, the vibrant ambiance, and the warm hearitality make this hospitality make this an experience not to be missed.

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SADHYA CULINARY VOYAGE AT SANA DI GE, DELHI

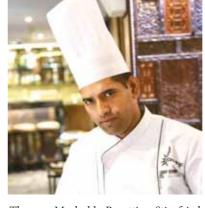
Sana-di-ge, the well known culinary haven for coastal cuisine enthusiasts, is set to treat the patrons once again with an exceptional Sadhya experience. The acclaimed restaurant, like every year, promises a sensory journey into the diverse and aromatic world of coastal India's gastronomic legacy. The stunning entrance with beautifully

oil lit diya is the reminder of its name -Sana-di-ge, derived from the Tulu language meaning a brass lamp. The restaurant is known for its authentic coastal recipes curated with freshly sourced ingredients. The extensive menu comprises delicacies from Mangalore, Goa, Maharashtra, and Kerala. The food here is served on brass plates lined with plantain leaves giving an experience of Dakshina Kannada dining.

Savour a symphony of Sadhya feast with dishes, elegantly served on traditional banana leaves. Says Executive Chef Sukesh Kanchan, "In our Sadhya menu, each dish captures the essence of Kerala's culinary heritage. The highlights of the menu are Sambharam -Spicy buttermilk with fresh coriander, ginger and curry leaves; Upperi -Banana chips; Sharkara Upperi - Sweet banana chips; Kosambari Salad -Traditional Kannadiga salad; Cabbage



THE ADIPOLI ONAM SADHYA AT SOUTH OF **VINDHYAS IS NOT JUST** A MEAL; IT'S A **CELEBRATION OF** CULTURE, TRADITION, AND THE JOY OF SHARING FOOD WITH LOVED ONES



Thoran; MezhukkuPuratti - Stir fried raw banana finished with coconut silvers & crushed dry red chilli; Avial and a lot more. The feast concludes on a sweet note with the signature 'Chana Dal Payasam, a melding of jaggery, cow's milk, coconut milk, and chana dal."

The culinary art and decor of Sana-dige are sure to transport patrons to the kitchens of the coast bringing in a oneof-a-kind experience.

LUNCH & DINNER

12th to 16th September 22/48 Malcha Marg, New Delhi Contact: 01140507777

ONAM SADHYA EXTRAVAGANZA At taj resorts, goa

Celebrate the joyous occasion of Sadhya at the luxurious Taj Holiday Village Resort & Spa and Taj Fort Aguada Resort & Spa. Chef Dibyendu Roy and Chef Somnath Rakesh are all set to prepare Sadhya where each dish comes in its authentic style, ensuring that the flavours and textures are true to tradition. The meal is served in a traditional setting, complete with banana leaves and copper vessels, service team in traditional ensemble, creating a truly immersive experience. Beyond the culinary delights, the Onam celebrations at these resorts also feature Carnatic music playing in the background. These performances offer guests a glimpse into the rich cultural heritage of Kerala and add to the festive atmosphere. By celebrating Onam with traditional food and cultural performances, Taj Holiday Village and Taj Fort Aguada are fostering a sense of community and preserving the rich heritage of Kerala.

Venue : Caravela at Taj Holiday Village **Date :** Lunch On 15th Sept

Venue : Kokum Kitchen at Taj Fort Aguada Date : Lunch on 14th and 15th Sept

So, come and join us at Santosham for a feast that's brimming with flavour and festivity. Whether you're a longtime fan or a first-time guest, our Onam Sadya is sure to leave you with a smile and a satisfied belly," says Bhagyalakshmi.

Dates: September 13th, 14th, 15th, 21st, & 22nd Location: Powai, Chandivali Date: September 14th & 15th Location: Manpada, Thane

EXQUISITE SADHYA AT THE SHERATON GRAND PUNE BUND GARDEN HOTEL

Celebrate the spirit of Onam with a traditional Sadhya at the Sheraton Grand Pune Bund Garden Hotel. Feast starts with classic starters like Dal Wada, and Medu Vada, perfectly complemented by refreshing Sambar and the Ingi Thayir. Next are the traditional condiments like Sarakara Uperi, Nendran Chips, and Mango Pickle that set the stage for the main course. A vast range of authentic delights such as the Avial, Kadla Curry, Olan, and Thoran, all served with the aromatic Ponni Rice, flaky Pooris and finished with the comforting Thayir Sadam. Indulge in Paruppu Payasam and the Banana Sheera to complete the feast.

Lunch On 13th, 14th, and 15th of September

At Feast, Sheraton Grand Pune Bund Garden Hotel

GRAND SADHYA AT HILTON BANGALORE EMBASSY GOLFLINKS

Savour timeless classics like the appetizing Neyyappam, wholesome Avial, Kootu Curry, Thoran, Olan, Kalan, Pachadi, Inji Puli, and Erissery, each crafted with a perfect balance of spices to awaken your senses to be enjoyed with the wholesome goodness of Parippu, Matta rice and the delightful flavours of Sambar and Rasam, all served on the traditional banana leaf. Conclude your Sadhya on a sweet note with desserts such as Paal Payasam.

Venue: MOF, Hilton Bangalore Embassy Golflinks Date: 15th September **Timing:** 12:30 pm to 04:00 pm

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THE BEST COMEDY COMES FROM A SPECIFIC VIEW POINT, AND THERE IS NO DOUBT THAT THE INDIAN CULTURE HAS IT IS OWN TAKE ON THE WORLD - BRIAN QUINN



A FUSION OF LUXURY, TRADITION AND CULINARY EXCELLENCE

Discover how Crowne Plaza New Delhi Okhla, brings dreams to life with its exquisite and personalised approach to creating unforgettable wedding celebrations, says SAKSHI PRIYA

Plaza recently rowne presented a magnificent Wedding Showcase, offering an immersive experience that symbolises elegance and grandeur. The event showcased the hotel's ability to create unforgettable wedding celebrations with a blend of stunning venues, luxurious decor and exceptional culinary offerings.

A GRAND WELCOME: SETTING THE TONE FOR ELEGANCE

The red and white theme, aesthetic lighting and wedding-themed photo booth set a vibrant and warm tone for the evening. Guests were greeted with an opulent welcome as they entered the beautifully decorated lobby. The grand entrance was further enhanced by the Red Wedding Hues Tunnel, accompanied by the traditional shehnai music, creating a memorable and enchanting atmosphere from the very start.The grand welcome was a perfect introduction to Crowne Plaza's commitment to blending luxury with tradition, ensuring that guests felt special and immersed in the wedding experience right from the beginning.

EMERALD BALLROOM: A GLAMOROUS COCKTAIL EVENING

The Emerald Ballroom was transformed into a glamorous cocktail venue with a black and glitter theme, highlighted by a breathtaking chandelier. Accommodating up to 400 guests, ided an ant setting enhanced by a soulful Sufi live band, which created a magical and romantic ambiance for the evening. The Emerald Ballroom exemplified Crowne Plaza's ability to create a luxurious and adaptable space, making it an ideal setting for a grand wedding reception that



can be tailored to the couple's preferences.

JADE LAWN: A SERENE OUTDOOR CEREMONY

The Jade Lawn offered a picturesque outdoor setting for the wedding ceremony. Adorned with floral decor and soft lighting, the lawn, which can host up to 500 guests, provided a serene backdrop guests, provided a serene backetop for the bride and groom's vows. The vibrant mandap, decorated with red and white flowers against lush greenery, created an elegant and natural atmosphere. The Jade Lawn was an ideal venue for couples seeking a tranquil and naturally beautiful outdoor setting for their Crowne Plaza's ability to create serene and picturesque environments.

the Haldi ceremony with a vibrant yellow and blue theme. The banquet, which accommodates 180 guests, featured joyful decor, including entries decorated with the essence of the traditional ceremony. The Opal Banquet's vibrant and traditional setting perfectly captured the joyous spirit of the Haldi ceremony, reflecting *Crowne Plaza's* attention to detail and commitment to creating memorable pre-wedding rituals.

POOLSIDE: A FESTIVE MEHENDI CELEBRATION

The poolside venue was styled for a vibrant Mehendi night with olorful decor in red,



celebration. demonstrating Crowne Plaza's expertise in

bohemian decor, offered a stylish and intimate dining



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diverse and delectable menu that catered to all tastes and preferences, enhancing the overall wedding experience.

CRAFTING UNFORGETTABLE WEDDING EXPERIENCES

"At Crowne Plaza New Delhi Okhla, we believe in creating wedding experiences that are as unique and special as the couples themselves," said the General Manager. "This showcase was a glimpse into the endless possibilities we can offer, from personalised decor to gourmet cuisine, ensuring that every wedding is truly unforgettable." Wedding Showcase exemplified their commitment to creating exceptional wedding experiences. From the grand entrance to the diverse and delectable culinary offerings, every detail was designed to impress. As the General Manager noted, "We strive to make every wedding unique and unforgettable.

The Wedding Showcase at Crowne *Plaza* exemplified luxury and attention to detail. With stunning venues, exquisite decor and a diverse culinary spread demonstrated the hotel's dedication to crafting unforgettable wedding experiences. Crowne Plaza is ready to turn every couple's vision into a unique celebration, ensuring each moment is as special as their love story.

OPAL BANQUET: A VIBRANT HALDI CEREMONY

Banquet was The Opal transformed into a lively venue for

pink, and green. This intimate space, accommodating 60 guests, featured delightful food and drinks, creating a lively and festive atmosphere for an unforgettable celebration. The poolside setup was perfect for an intimate yet vibrant Mehendi

crafting environments for wedding events.

CHAOBELLA: A CHIC BOHEMIAN DINNER EXPERIENCE

The evening concluded with a Bohemian-themed sit-down dinner at ChaoBella. The al fresco setup, adorned with chic

oviding a end to the showcase with its elegant and relaxed ambiance. ChaoBella's Bohemian-themed dinner provided a sophisticated and unique dining experience, showcasing ability to deliver memorable and stylish wedding receptions.

erts, demonstrated the hotel's dedication to providing an extraordinary dining experience with a diverse range of flavours meticulously prepared by talented chefs. The culinary offerings were a standout feature of the event, showcasing Crowne Plaza's commitment to excellence with a

tiramisu, brownies and the star

dessert - badam halwa. Each dish,

from the street-style treats to the

Photos: Pankaj Kumar

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Artix 3.0, the muchawaited sequel in New Delhi, once again dazzled art enthusiasts by bringing a vivid fusion of indigenous and global art to the forefront. The event, held at *The Claridges Hotel*, showcased the power of creativity, seamlessly blending the worlds of tribal art, textiles and luxury and creating an unforgettable experience for both artists and visitors says SAKSHI PRIYA

Entering the transformed Spaces of The Claridges Hotel, attendees immediately sensed the magic in the air. Each room was thoughtfully curated to provide a distinct narrative, turning the venue into an immersive, multi-dimensional art gallery. The transformation was not just physical but also emotional, offering art lovers and connoisseurs a unique opportunity to engage deeply with the artworks, live installations and textile displays. It felt as if each room had its own story waiting to be discovered. The lineup of galleries was extraordinary, featuring established names like Treasure Art Gallery, Artrise Art, 108 Art Projects, Bespoke Art Gallery, Ashvita's and Vision Art Gallery, among others. These galleries, along with solo artists like Aanchal Garg, Shobha Broota and Cholamandal,

created a vibrant mosaic of artistic expression that was both diverse and profound. Artists such as Raza Husain, Sanjay Bhattacharyya, Anjolie Menon Ela and Prabhakar Kolte showcased their alongside works, renowned names like FN Souza, Laxma Goud Manu and Parekh, adding depth and dimension to the event. The inclusion of luxury brands such as Heeramaneck & Son Fine Jewellery, Lotus Arts de Vivre and Chayroot x Prabhu Viswanathan further enriched the event,



creating a confluence of art, fashion, and design that was truly mesmerising. A special highlight of the

opening was an engaging session featuring luminaries like Satish Gupta, Prayag Shukla, Sanjay Bhattacharya, Shobha Broota and Arpana Caur, followed by a curatorial walkthrough by Jyoti Kathradia. The discussions ware Kathpalia. The discussions were insightful, providing a deeper understanding of the themes and ideas that shaped this year's Artix. Each day was packed with activities that encourage interaction and exploration, enriching a vibrant dialogue between artists, collectors, and art lovers.

The exhibition also paid tribute to the lesser-known but equally captivating traditions of Indian art. The Devi Art Foundation presented "A Little Bird Told Me..." featuring artworks by the Tribal Women Artists Collective from Hazaribagh, Jharkhand. This collective has worked tirelessly to keep the centuries-old traditions of the Kohvar (marriage) and Sohrai (harvest) to the exhibition. Shobha Broota, one of India's most celebrated contemporary artists, showcased her ethereal wall paintings alive, transitioning these from the mud walls of village homes to paper, ensuring their survival brought a sense of calm and and giving women artists a means to sustain themselves. Broota's unique artistic journey, These panels, with their vivid from portraiture to abstract and



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simplicity.

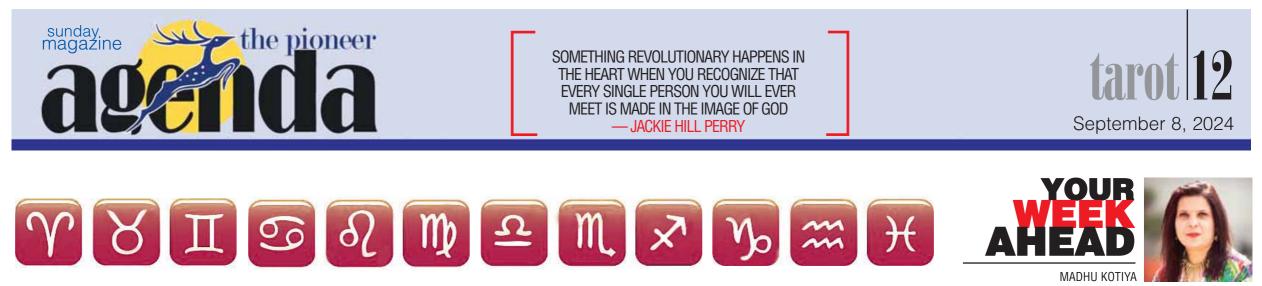
her ongoing exploration of the depictions of flora, fauna and life, evoked a deep connection to spiritual and metaphysical, the past while providing a captivated visitors and provided glimpse into the future of tribal a contemplative counterpoint to art in India. Similarly, the work the more vibrant displays.

of Usman Tirandaz from The corporate social initiative Rajasthan, known for his intricate depictions using pigments on cloth, added AADYAM Handwoven, by the Aditya Birla Group, added another dimension to Artix 3.0 by showcasing the intricate craftsmanship of weavers from various parts of India, such as Varanasi, Pochampally, Bhuj, another layer of cultural richness Kashmir and Bhadohi. Their canvases that possess a deceptive efforts to create a self-sustaining ecosystem for artisans were works, characterised by abstract forms, evident in the quality and rhythmic lines and rich textures, diversity of the textiles displayed, which celebrated age-old introspection to the event. weaving techniques while appealing to contemporary tastes

What made Artix 3.0 truly special was its ability to humanise the experience of art. It went beyond just exhibition spaces and brought together a community, creating a dynamic space where art was not only viewed but felt. It challenged the conventional gallery model, making art more accessible and intimate. The organiser's, led by Payal Kapoor, Malvika Poddar and Sethu Vaidyanathan, envisioned a traveling art affair that not only defied traditional norms but also celebrated the multitude of forms that art can take. Their dedication and passion were visible in every corner of the exhibition, making Artix a unique and memorable experience.

Artix 3.0 succeeded in capturing the essence of what makes art truly powerful, its ability to connect people across boundaries, evoke emotions and inspire new ways of thinking. The atmosphere was electric, filled with conversations that ranged from the technical aspects of a painting to the deeper philosophical questions it raised. Artix 3.0 was more than just an art exhibition - it was a celebration of creativity, a gathering of minds and a bold statement that art is for everyone.

As Artix 3.0 works to expand to other cities like Bangalore, Mumbai and Kolkata, it is hoped that it will continue to build on this momentum, bringing its unique blend of luxury, creativity and accessibility to new audiences. For those who had the chance to experience Artix 3.0, it was a reminder of why art matters and how it has the power to transform spaces, people and even our understanding of the world. *Artix 3.0* served as a vivid reminder that art is not just something to be looked at but something to be experienced, felt and lived. And that, in itself, is its greatest achievement. Photos: Pankaj Kumar





ARIES March 21-April 19

This week, you're entering a phase where you'll experience the satisfaction of seeing your efforts pay off, leading to a more secure and prosperous situation. This is a perfect moment to enjoy the culmination of past diligence and smart choices. Your self-reliant nature will flourish, enabling you to appreciate your accomplishments and relish in your progress. This period is ideal for treating yourself to some well-deserved rewards and relaxation. It's also an opportune time to review your economic strategies and think about ways to enhance your financial security. The current cosmic energies are aligned to bolster your personal growth and solidify your achievements. Harness this favorable atmosphere to reinforce your position and revel in the stability that your hard work has afforded you.

Lucky number 20 | Lucky colour Lavender Lucky day Tuesday



LEO July 23-Aug 22

This week could present some emotional hurdles, possibly linked to previous challenges or deep-seated pains. You may find yourself navigating a landscape of intense feelings that demand attention and resolution. This period calls for a direct approach to confronting and processing these emotions. Embracing introspection and nurturing self-care practices will be crucial. It's beneficial to lean on the support of trusted friends or family during this time. Although this phase might be demanding, it holds the potential for substantial personal development and enhanced emotional strength. Engaging with this process fully can pave the way for clearer insights and healing, turning a tough time into a transformative experience. Moving through these challenges, you'll emerge more robust and aware, ready to move forward with renewed purpose.

Lucky number 17 | Lucky colour Mustard Lucky day Friday

This week focuses on enhancing your sense of security

financial situation and material assets more critically. It's

advisable to manage your resources wisely, being careful

not to cling too tightly or become overly conservative in

maintaining security and exercising generosity. Now is an

opportune moment to reevaluate your budget and financial

strategies to ensure you are laying a robust groundwork

for future expansion. Your attention to detail will serve you

well, helping you to address both your current necessities

and prepare for long-term objectives effectively. Taking

proactive steps now can lead to significant rewards,

reinforcing your path toward financial resilience and

Lucky number 6 | Lucky colour Rose

LIBRA Sep 23-Oct 22

prosperity.

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your approach. Consider striking a balance between

and stability. You may find yourself assessing your

VIRGO Aug 23-Sep 22

TAURUS April 20-May 20

This week presents a period of reflection, where you find yourself weighing multiple paths and ambitions. You may encounter a sense of being swamped by various potentialities or grand visions. It's crucial during this time to stay rooted and approach your choices with careful judgment. Resist the urge to wander into davdreams and concentrate on attainable objectives. Take this opportunity to organize your priorities and strategize effectively to transform these aspirations into tangible outcomes. Your inherent practicality will serve as a guiding light through any moments of uncertainty, helping you to select options that truly resonate with your core principles and future goals. Remember, patience is key as you navigate through this maze of options. Evaluating each carefully will ensure that your decisions are well-informed and aligned with your long-term SUCCESS

Lucky number 7 | Lucky colour Olive Lucky day Sunday



GEMINI May 21-June 20

This week, you may find yourself navigating scenarios where truthfulness and clever planning are crucial. You might feel tempted to sidestep direct confrontations or to manipulate situations to your advantage. However, this approach could lead to complications. Embrace transparency and strategic thinking instead. Being straightforward and thoughtful in your dealings will not only prevent potential missteps but also build stronger, more trustworthy relationships. Employ your analytical abilities to handle matters tactfully and steer clear of conflicts that could arise from misunderstandings. Keeping your interactions clear and your intentions pure will help you overcome obstacles effectively and enhance your reputation among your peers. This approach will prove beneficial, fostering an environment of respect and credibility.

.ucky number 4 | Lucky colour Scarlet ucky day Thursday



It's a favorable time to set new goals and explore fresh opportunities. You might find yourself considering long-term projects or contemplating new directions in your professional or personal life. This period is about taking the initiative and approaching your options with optimism and confidence. Embrace a proactive stance and use this energy to establish a solid foundation for future achievements. Your ability to mediate and your forward-looking attitude will serve you well in making strategic choices. Explore with enthusiasm, as this is a moment to expand your horizons and lay the groundwork for what's to come. Emphasize collaboration and gather insights from diverse sources to enrich your plans. Your thoughtful approach will pave the way for rewarding outcomes.

This week encourages forward-thinking and strategic planning.

Lucky number 12 | Lucky colour Copper Lucky day Wednesday

SCORPIO Oct 23-Nov 21

This week heralds a period of inner fortitude and resilience. You'll find yourself tackling challenges with heightened confidence and determination, displaying courage and grace under pressure. This time encourages you to draw upon your

SAGITTARIUS Nov 22-Dec 21

This week marks a period of transition and forward momentum. You may find yourself moving past previous challenges and stepping into new opportunities. This time signifies a shift toward more promising and stable circumstances, whether in personal or professional realms. View this transition as an opportunity for renewal and advancement. Your adventurous nature will be your guide through this changing landscape, steering you towards a more fulfilling future. Embrace the shifts occurring around you, as they are paving the way for growth and improvement. Your ability to adapt and explore will be key in navigating this period of change, leading you to brighter horizons and rewarding experiences. Use this time to streamline your goals and align your actions with your long-term vision. Harness this dynamic energy to propel yourself into a prosperous phase.

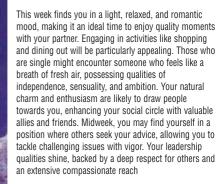
Lucky number 2 | Lucky colour Aqua Lucky day Friday

CAPRICORN Dec 22-Jan 19

This week emphasizes structure, authority, and leadership. You may find yourself taking charge and establishing order in various aspects of your life. The focus is on setting clear goals and implementing practical strategies to achieve them. Embrace your natural leadership abilities and use this time to solidify your plans and assert your influence. Your disciplined and organized approach will help you create a stable foundation for future success and maintain control over your personal and professional realms. This period is ideal for consolidating your efforts and defining clear boundaries, ensuring you are wellprepared to handle challenges. Your ability to lead and plan effectively will be key to navigating this week successfully.

Lucky number 19 | Lucky colour Coral Lucky day Tuesday

AQUARIUS Jan 20-Feb 18



Lucky number 5 | Lucky colour Tangerine Lucky day Thursday

PISCES Feb 19-March 20

This week unfolds with an infusion of romance, creativity, and deep emotional exploration. You may find yourself increasingly drawn to artistic endeavors or deepening your emotional bonds. The period is ripe for following your heart





resonant with your core principles. Reflect thoughtfully on your long-term aspirations and the supporting structures that make them achievable. Turning to established wisdom or seeking guidance from seasoned advisors will provide profound insights and broaden your understanding. Embrace activities that promote stability and strengthen your connection to your inner self. This time is pivotal for solidifying your spiritual and emotional foundations, enabling you to navigate life with renewed purpose and clearer vision. Cherish this period as an opportunity for significant personal growth and spiritual enrichment.

Lucky number 9 | Lucky colour Teal Lucky day Monday



inner strength and face situations with patience and compassion. Whether you're navigating personal issues or professional obstacles, maintaining calm and focused composure will be your greatest asset. Embrace this period as a chance to showcase your emotional strength and perseverance. By doing so, you'll find yourself emerging from the challenges not just intact, but stronger and more empowered. This is a time to reinforce your resolve and demonstrate the depth of your resilience. Let this phase of growth be a testament to your enduring spirit and ability to thrive under any circumstances.

ucky number 3 | Lucky colour Peach Lucky day Monday



and passionately pursuing what truly moves you. Whethe in relationships or in creative projects, let your emotions steer your actions and embrace the opportunities to express yourself genuinely. Your empathetic nature will come to the forefront, enhancing both your personal fulfillment and your connections with others. Allow this time to nurture your creative spirit and strengthen your emotional ties, as you explore and express the depths of your feelings. Use this time to reflect and perhaps recalibrate, ensuring your pursuits align closely with your deepest desires.

Lucky number 10 | Lucky colour lvory Lucky day Monday

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From the disciplined learning of youth to the ultimate renunciation of worldly attachments, the four stages enunciated in the scriptures offer a blueprint for balancing our worldly duties with our spiritual aspirations

Behave like a child when Nature is your Mother ...

s climate change here? Is it on its way? Is it still some time away? Or is it?

So ... how long does one wait, for the inflection point to be reached. Or ... have we just started tipping over and we want to safely wish it away. And stay in denial The jury is still out in the open. However, two things are in our face - the enormity of the situation (if it is here or for others when it will be) and the pivotal role Nature has in our life and existence on earth. Our ancient texts have always given the highest status to Nature - The Maternal status. Devoted. Nurturing. Pliable (to the maximum extent). Warm. Affectionate. Effusing warmth and acre. Protecting. Tender. Strict when rules bend beyond a point. Gentle. And perhaps the most important - Trusting. Nature signified as the Maa Prakriti or Mother Nature and the consequent behaviour of the Child (the inhabitants)

plays a key role in Vedic philosophy. The Indian scriptures give precious insights and reflect a deep philosophical significance to this. This concept and understanding are rooted in the Vedas, Upanishads and Smritis elucidate the relationship between us humans' conscious beings and the natural world, personifying nature as a fostering mother.

The oldest of scriptures available to us (The Vedas) depict the portrayal in of Nature as The Divine Mother form. This portrayal



encourages the reverence for the natural elements and the understanding that they have been and continue to be the main sustaining force for all life forms. One of the earliest mentions can be found in the Rig Veda, where various hymns celebrate the Mother Earth (Prithvi) as a maternal figure who caters to the sustenance and nourishment of all living beings

स धाता पृथ्वी भवत्यजायमानायां विश्वायुः कवयाम अग्रभुदुर्धवां विवरतवानमानमृतयेमे sa dhātā prthvī bhavatyajāyamānāym viśvāyuh kavyām agrabhūdūrdhvām vivasvānamānamūtayeme

'He is the establisher of the Earth when she was being born, the Sage, the lord of what

has been and what will be, all-seeing, the light of lights.' This hymn compliments Mother Earth as the provider and sustainer of life. It emphasizes its role akin to a nurturing mother who supports and nourishes all living beings. If Nature and the Earth are The Mother ... we palpably are Her children, often having to be brought to book because of frequent infringements with Mother Nature. The spiritual analogy of behaving like a child in the context of Vedic interpretation symbolizes qualities such as innocence, trust, spontaneity, and a sense of awe and wonder. I wish I could add the word 'simple' here. If only we were simple, tolerant, and sensitive to the value of coexistence with Mother Nature. The Chandogya Upanishad (7.26.2)

explores the nature of reality and self and uses the metaphor of a child to illustrate the point.

तं विद्याकमः शान्तः समः प्रज्ञानं ब्रह्म। tam vidyākamah śāntah samah prajñānaņ brahma Desiring that wisdom, he becomes tranquil, disciplined, restrained, selfcontrolled, patient, and refined. This verse underscores the qualities of tranquillity, patience, and wisdom that a seeker of truth cultivates, qualities that are often compared to those found in a child who is innocent and trusting -What we need to imbibe as inhabitants (children of Mother Nature) Integration of Concepts The Vedic construal highlights this integration as a holistic worldview where we humans are inseparably interconnected with the Nature and the It encourages humility, sensitivity, veneration, a sense of responsibility towards nature, viewing it not merely as a resource but as a living entity deserving reverence and care. The Bhagavad Gita, reflects these principles (9.17)

पिताहमस्य जगतो माता धाता पितामहः वेद्यं पवित्रमोंकार ऋक्साम यजुरेव च।? pitāhamasya jagato mātā dhātā pitāmahah vedyam pavitram oņkār ŗksāma yajureva ca

"I am the father of this world, the mother, the support, and the grandsire; I am the object of knowledge, the purifier, the syllable Om, and also the Rig, the Sama, and the Yajur Vedas. Here, Lord Krishna identifies himself with various aspects of creation, reinforcing the idea of divinity permeating all existence and nurturing it, akin to a loving parent. Nature and its inhabitants are indivisible, like mother and her child entwined in a spiritual understanding. It lends not only reverence for life and existence but for spiritual growth and self-understanding. It urges us to embrace sublime qualities with every resource existent on earth - not as a tool for survival always but as a vital coexistent partner. The gorgeous connect invites embodies the spiritual journey fostering a harmonious relationship with the environment. Where we are now may not be sustainable. Where we are headed needs to be.

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