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COVID-19 status in Isles

Port Blair, Jan 16: During the RT-PCR test conducted on 133 passengers who arrived here Friday, 18 positive cases have been detected. Yesterday, 15 flights with 674 passengers arrived, out of which, 531 passengers were vaccinated with both doses while the RT-PCR test was conducted on 134 passengers and the reports are awaited. During RAT conducted on 34 passengers board for North & Middle Andaman at Ferrargunj, 1 positive case has been detected. At Mahanagar Bus Terminus, test was conducted on 38 passengers, no positive case has been detected. At See... Page 02

Power outages return to haunt residents in city

Port Blair, Jan 16: Even after more than seven decades of the country's independence from colonial rule of the British, islanders living in this remote territory have found no respite from oppressive power cuts. Though the current government at the centre led has pledged 24x7 power supply to all citizens, the Electricity Department, unduly of the commitment, has been exercising frequent and unscheduled black-outs for the past several days particularly in the city and South Andaman region making life miserable for the islanders. Unprecedented and unannounced power cuts in different parts of the city have become the order of the day at any given time and day for



the past few days. Now withstanding the fact that almost the entire South Andaman region now have been connected with underground power supply cables, Electricity Site Officers personnel, surprisingly, cited bizarre excuses, resort to frequent power cuts. Residents have to

undergo power cuts even during the festive days of Pongal and Makar Sankranti. "Unannounced and prolonged power cuts are posing all sorts of problems for citizens. The power situation has worsened in the past few days and unscheduled power cuts for at least a dozen times in the last few days has now become the order of the day. I don't know how long this crisis will prevail. Almost everyone, be it housewives, office-goers, school students are suffering due to the power cuts these days. Owing to frequent power cuts, many residents have suffered losses due to damage caused by electrical appliances." See... Page 02

MP sanctions Sixty Lakhs under MPLADS fund for construction of RCC Overhead water tank of 150000 Lts.

storage capacity at Dairy Farm; Requests land from PBMC Secretary

Port Blair, Jan 16: The Member of Parliament of Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Mr. Kuldeep Rai Sharma recently met the Secretary of PBMC and requested him to allot 200 sqm land (of PBMC) at Dairy Farm area of Port Blair city near the water treatment plant of APWD, for construction of an RCC Overhead water tank of 150000

Ltrs. storage capacity. The above work, with an approximate cost of Rs. 60,00,000 (Sixty Lakhs) was earlier sanctioned by the Member of Parliament for proper water supply to the residents of Dairy Farm and its adjacent areas under MPLADS so that the acute water scarcity faced every year by residents of Dairy Farm area and adjoining area could be effectively resolved. As non-

availability of sufficient land for this project was a major hurdle the Member of Parliament met with the Secretary of PBMC recently and requested him to allot 200 sqm land (PBMC land) near the water treatment plant of APWD, which is at the hilltop. The Secretary of PBMC reportedly assured to do the needful in this matter at the earliest.

Growing distance between A&N Police and local media a cause of concern

Port Blair, Jan 16: Developing a strong police-public relation is a prerequisite for effective policing. Keeping this in mind, the Police department has time and again organized several functions where in citizens are invited and senior Police officers interact with them and seek their support in certain areas of generation activities. This is common among the Police departments across the country.

In mainland, senior Police Officers also interact with the media on a regular basis in order to ensure that information of the good works done by the Police are disseminated to the masses. Media coverage of Police activities can have a profound impact on public opinion. But sadly, in the Andaman and Nicobar Islands, there is a huge gap between Police and the local media. The Police here always try to keep a distance from the media and even shy away to

share vital information whenever asked for. This may also be due to fear of action from the seniors. The A&N Police has adopted an unfriendly attitude towards the local media. Repeated pleas for a PRO to clarify queries and doubts of the local media have been ignored. This may be the reason, the incumbent Director General of Police has not conducted any press meet with the local media See... Page 02

ANIIMS's admission for 2021-22 announced
Application forms available through Common Admission Online Portal from Jan 19

Port Blair, Jan 16: The Ministry of Health & Family Welfare (MoHFW), Govt of India and THE Andaman & Nicobar Administration has approved 114 MBBS seats for Andaman & Nicobar Islands Institute of Medical Sciences (ANIIMS), Port Blair for the academic year 2021-22.

NEET-2021 qualified students will be admitted through All India Quota Counselling and State Quota Counselling. Out of the total approved 114 seats, 17 seats of All India quota will be filled by online counselling by Medical Counselling Committee (MCC), and rest of the

97 seats will be admitted under State Quota (10 EWS plus 87 Category seats). The applications will be invited from NEET eligible candidates for admission to ANIMS, the applicants can apply through Common Admission online Portal (www.cde.admissionandaman.gov.in)

Only NEET-2021 qualified students from Andaman and Nicobar Islands can apply for above-mentioned 97 seats of State Quota. Remaining 17 seats of All India Quota will be filled by online counselling by Medical Counselling Committee (MCC). See... Page 02

Vaccination drive continuing smoothly in Isles

Port Blair, Jan 16: The vaccination drive is continuing smoothly in A&N Islands. As per data available, a total of 6,00,982 beneficiaries in the age group of 18 and above have been vaccinated so far in A&N Islands. Similarly, 18,056 beneficiaries have been vaccinated in the age group of 15 to 18 years against the target beneficiaries of 23,000. The number See... Page 02

CDS Gen Rawat's Chopper Crashed Due To Pilot Error In Unexpected Cloudy Weather, Court Of Inquiry Report Finds

New Delhi, 16th Jan, 2022: In its preliminary finding, the Tri-Services Court of Inquiry into the December 8, 2021, chopper crash that killed CDS Gen Bipin Rawat and 13 others, ruled out mechanical failure, sabotage or negligence as a cause of the accident, said Indian Air Force (IAF) on Friday. As per IAF, the unfortunate accident was a result of the pilot's error when clouds entered due to an unexpected change in weather.



negligence as a cause of the accident," said IAF in a statement. Giving its findings on reasons behind the crash, the Tri Service report said, "Accident was a result of entry into clouds due to unexpected change in weather... This led to spatial disorientation of the pilot resulting in Controlled Flight into Terrain." IAF said that based on its findings, Court of Inquiry has made certain recommendations which are

being reviewed. The tri-services inquiry team on January 5 made some recommendations breaching the standard operating procedures while operating choppers carrying senior officials of the defence forces, sources had told news agency ANI. On the crash details, the ANI sources said the Mi-17V5 was following a railway line in the hills when it entered a thick cloud cover that emerged suddenly. The chopper was flying at a low altitude and knowing the terrain, it emerged that the crew decided to fly out of the cloud cover rather than land, and hit a cliff in the process, the sources said. The sources See... Page 02

Eating too much Bread can cause huge damage to your health

Port Blair, 16th Jan, 2022: We use bread in our daily life from breakfast to evening snack. Sometimes we consume bread by making pakodas and sometimes by making sandwiches. Sometimes we take bread with soup for dinner, and sometimes we take it as toast for breakfast. Overall, bread is a part of our daily routine. It is very convenient to use, so it has completely dissolved in our lives. But do you know that if you eat more bread than you need, its consequences can also be dangerous (Side Effects Of Bread). While the advantages of brown See... Page 02



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PBMC to organize competitions as part of 'Swachh Survekshan', last date of receipt entries is Jan. 17

Port Blair, Jan 16: As part of Swachh Survekshan 2022, favoured with 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav', the Port Blair Municipal Council has launched various open competitions viz Jingle making, short movie, poster/ drawing, murals and street play. The theme for poster/drawing, murals, short movie and street play are 'Swachh

City'. For short movie and street play competition, the participants may upload the contents in YouTube and provide link to PBMC. The theme for making jingle is 'Swachh'. Sunder Port Blair and the duration of the jingle should be one minute to three minutes either in Hindi or English. The competition is open for all and entry is free. All stakeholders, students,

citizens etc have been requested to participate in these competitions. The competition aims to show case their creative knowledge and experience of Swachh in their respective area. Those who intend to participate in the competition on the above themes can send their entries in the email ID: pbmc_iac@gmail.com by January 17, 2022.

India's Covid vaccination drive completes 1 year, over 156.76 crore doses administered so far

New Delhi, 16th Jan, According to health ministry officials, over 92% of the adult population have received at least one dose while over 68% have been fully vaccinated. The country wide vaccination drive against COVID-19 on Sunday completed one year, during which over 156.76 crore vaccine doses were administered. According to health ministry officials, over 92% of the adult population have received at least one dose while over 68% have been fully vaccinated. The Centre will issue a postal stamp on Sunday

afternoon to mark the completion of one year of the inoculation drive. The drive was rolled out on January 16 last year with healthcare workers getting inoculated in the first phase. Vaccination of frontline workers started from February 2. The next phase of the COVID-19 vaccination commenced from March 1 for people over 60 years of age and those aged 45 and above with specified co-morbid conditions. Vaccination of all people aged over 45 from April 1. The government then decided to expand the ambit of the inoculation drive by allowing every one above 18 to be vaccinated from May 1.

The next phase of COVID-19 vaccination commenced from January 3 this year for adolescents in the age group of 15-18 years. India started administering the precaution dose of Covid vaccine to healthcare and frontline workers, which include polling personnel deployed in the five poll-bound states, and combat personnel aged 60 and above from January 10 in a bid to stymie the coronavirus spread driven by its Omicron variant. The health ministry has claimed that India's vaccination programme has been one of the See... Page 02

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COVID-19 Pandemic can't go on forever, its end is pretty near: Expert

New Delhi, 16th Jan, 2022: Terminating vaccination as the strongest weapon to fight the pandemic, an American expert has said that the COVID-19 pandemic cannot go on forever, and its end is pretty near. Marking the first anniversary of India's massive nationwide COVID-19 vaccination drive on Sunday, Dr Kutub Mahmood, Scientist and Virologist from Washington said, "So, this cannot go on forever, and that end is pretty

soon. I would say there is no winner in this game of chess, this is going to be a draw, where the virus will go in hiding and we actually win, we may come out hiding behind our facemask. So, we hope to move forward, I think we are getting very close to that. So, I hope we move forward and in this year, probably we will come out of the pandemic very soon." "There is a pressure on the virus to See... Page 02

Death condoled

Port Blair, Jan 16: Sengunthar Mahajana Sangam, A&N Islands has condoled the sudden demise of Smt. Ammalu, aged 68 yrs,



W/o Late Sedu, R/o Burmanallah who died on 15th Jan 2022. May the almighty give strength to the bereaved family members to bear this irreparable loss. People have prayed for peace to the departed soul. Inserted by Smti Thilakavathi, Shri S Murugan, Shri S Naganathan, Shri. Kanadasan, Smti Kala Devi, Shri Shrava Kumar, Shri Bijaya Rajan.

Media reports claiming under-reporting of COVID deaths ill-informed, baseless & misleading: Govt.

New Delhi, 16th Jan, 2022: The Health Ministry has refuted media reports alleging a significant undercount of COVID-19 deaths in the first two waves in India, saying these are fallacious, ill-informed and misleading in nature. The Government of India has a very comprehensive definition to classify Covid deaths, based on globally acceptable categorisation, it said. In a statement, the ministry refuted some media reports alleging a "significant undercount" of the actual number of people who have died in India due to COVID-19 in the first two waves and that the final

total may be "substantially greater" crossing the figures of about three million. "It is clarified that such media reports are fallacious and ill-informed. They are not based on facts and are misleading in nature. India has a very robust system of birth and death reporting which is based on a statute and is carried out regularly from the gram panchayat level to the district level and state level," the statement said. The ministry said the whole exercise is carried out under the overall oversight of the Registrar General of India (RGI). "Moreover, the Government of India has a very comprehensive definition to classify Covid deaths, based on globally

acceptable categorisation. All deaths are being independently reported by states, and are being compiled centrally. The backlog in COVID-19 mortality data being submitted by the states at different times are being reconciled in the data of Govt of India on a regular basis," it said. A large number of states have regularly reconciled their death numbers and have reported arrears deaths in a broadly transparent manner. Therefore, to project that deaths have been under-reported without basis and without justification, it added. The ministry clarified that there is an "extreme See... Page 02

EDITORIAL

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Sycophancy on social media

Last week an SMS from the COWIN portal informed me that I was eligible for my booster shot. Why it is called a 'precautionary' shot only in India beats me. Anyway, off I went and got my precautionary whatever and can report that everything went off perfectly. Within minutes of the needle being removed from my arm, I got a message telling me that the COWIN app had recorded the new jab. I have to say that I was impressed by both the efficiency and speed. And, admit to being impressed with the mature way the Prime Minister is handling the Omicron wave. It is reassuring that he appears regularly on TV to advise people not to panic. He has come a long way from that time two years ago when he thoughtlessly ordered the most brutal lockdown in the world. And fuelled the innate superstitions of Indians by asking us to bathe and light diya to drive Covid away. Those were bad ideas. They encouraged voodoo doctors and covidots who believed that bathing in cow dung would save them. He is doing much better this time. May he now desist from plastering public places with 'thank you Modi' posters. My booster shot caused a robust reaction from my immune system and laid me low and it is that has put me in a reflective mood. It is in said reflective mood laced with strong paracetamol that I write this week's column. Indulge me as I reflect on Indian democracy. I have said more than once in this column that I believe that the greatest advantage we have over our old enemy China is democracy. But I also agree with Winston Churchill that, 'The best argument against democracy is a five-minute conversation with the average voter.' It is my misfortune to need to have conversations with the 'average voter' daily on Twitter. They are usually unpleasant exchanges, but I am obliged to have them because in these isolated times I need to hear virtual chatter from the public square. So, I dedicate some amount of time every day to trawling through the tweets of twitterers who appear to believe that it is their primary purpose in life to attack those who write in the much reviled 'mainstream media'. The tweets I read every day range from vicious, abusive and ugly, to idiotic, ignorant and insane. They come from both sides of the divide in these politically polarized times. Let me say here that the Gandhi Dynasty's more passionate supporters sound as unhinged in their tweets as Modi bhakts and the point they both make most often is that I 'hate' Modi or that I 'hate' Sonia Gandhi. As a veteran political analyst, I feel it is my duty to educate them while I am in current reflective mood. A political columnist has no choice but to critique what politicians say and do, just as a film critic's job is to critique films and a book reviewer's job is to review books. Only the clinically insane would accuse film critics or book reviewers of hatred being their prime motivation. So why should political analysts be charged with hatred? The Congress party has, since Nehruvian times, done its best to crush critics but where they were once circumspect, they no longer are. In my reflective, paracetamol-induced mood I find myself reflecting on why our revered political leaders have not yet noticed the damage their followers are doing them on social media. They do more harm to their political heroes than any critic could.

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said a resident of Haddo. "Offices and private establishments located in the city are hampered badly as computers, other equipment don't work. Employees literally sweat it out in the offices during the eight hour mandated period. Some even resort to taking leaves to avoid sogging due to power cuts. Even business is being affected by the power cuts. Power cuts have become unprecedented in the last few days. How can they (electricity officials) expect children to study if they constantly cut power in the evening? It's a pathetic situation, but the department, it

seems, cares two hoots about the plight of the people," said some others. Meanwhile, residents are irked over erratic electricity bills of the same amount in the last few months even if they had to suffer long hours daily power cuts during the entire month. "Citizens are not given any reason for the enhanced electricity bills when they have witnessed long hours of daily power cuts in almost all days of the last month," said a consumer. As soon as the consumers are not decided to approach the consumer court on the corrupt practice adopted of the electricity department.

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of beneficiaries administered a precautionary dose of vaccine so far stood at 2586. A total of 1856 eligible beneficiaries were vaccinated in A&N Islands yesterday. 104 beneficiaries were vaccinated in South Andaman District, out of which, 222 beneficiaries were in the age group of 15-18 years while 123 beneficiaries were in the age group

of 18-44 years. 562 beneficiaries were vaccinated in North & Middle Andaman District, out of which, 236 beneficiaries were in the age group of 15-18 years while 81 beneficiaries were in the age group of 18-44 years. 190 beneficiaries were vaccinated in Nicobar District, out of which, 86 beneficiaries were in the age group of 15-18 years while 32 beneficiaries were in the age group of 18-44 years.

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to share the good works done by the Police department. Neither local media are invited to attend functions organized by the Police department on a time to time basis. It is due to Covid-19 pandemic, no clarifications in this regard has come from the Police yet. The local media here has always been in the forefront as regards giving positive

publicity on all the good work done by the Police department. But to the dismay of the local media persons, the Police department has kept the media at bay, there are reasons for which can better be explained by the top bosses of the Police department. The Police department has kept local media out for all the important official functions.

DELHI GOVERNMENT DIRECTS AGGREGATORS TO ADD 50% EVS IN THEIR FLEET BY MARCH

All cab aggregators and delivery service providers in Delhi city will have to ensure that 50 per cent of all new two-wheelers and 25 per cent of all new four-wheelers added to their fleet are electric by March 2023.



The Kejriwal-led Delhi government has directed all cab aggregators and delivery service providers in the city to ensure that 50 per cent of all new two-wheelers and 25 per cent of all new four-wheelers to their fleet are electric

friendly. The notification will be issued once the process of evaluating objections is completed after 60 days period, said Gahlot on Saturday. Electric Vehicle Owners Can Now Use Existing Connections At Home, Office For Charging He said on Twitter, "Another first for Delhi in EVs-aggregators and delivery service providers to ensure that 50% of all new 2 wheelers and 25% of all new 4 wheelers are electric by March 2023. Notification is to be issued once the process of evaluating objections is completed at end of 60 days period. Soon Transport Department shall hold consultations with all stakeholders to finalise the modalities."

The draft notification is yet to be released, and soon will be put up in the public domain through the Delhi government's website. The government will seek comments from people for about 60 days. Subsequently, it will be reviewed and will be notified for implementation with modifications, if any. As per the draft aggregators policy, 10 per cent of new two-wheelers and 5 per cent of new four-wheelers will have to be EVs within three months of notification of the final policy. Subsequently, 25 per cent of all new two-wheelers and 25 per cent of all new four-wheelers taken by aggregators and delivery services will have to be electric by March 2023. 25 per cent

of all new four-wheelers taken by aggregators and delivery services will have to be electric by March 2023. Gahlot had previously urged commercial vehicle owners to convert half of their fleets to electric by 2023. The minister also urged CV owners to move from conventional to fully electric vehicle fleets under the 'Switch Delhi' campaign by 2025. The Delhi government has reportedly registered 130,544 EVs as of Saturday, which is the second-highest among all states and UTs. Moreover, a total of 9,540 EVs were sold in Delhi during the September-November quarter. This, September saw the sale of 2,873 EVs, while 3,275 EVs were sold in October and 3,392 in November.

ANIIMS's admission...

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The tentative timeline for the Admission process is as follows:-

Event	Date and day
Submission of duly filled application form starts on	19 th January, 2022 from 10.00 am
Last date of submission of application form	23 rd January, 2022 till 5.00pm
Publication of Provisional merit list	25 th January, 2022 at 5.00pm
Appeal & Grievance	27 th January, 2022 till 3.00pm
Display of Final Merit list	28 th January, 2022 at 5.00pm
01 st Round of Counseling	30 th & 31 st January, 2022
02 nd Round of Counseling	15 th February, 2022
Mop up Counseling	If required, will be intimated on later dates

Note: Dates of the counseling are tentative and are liable to change. Candidates are advised to check ANIIMS website and Institute Notice board regularly for updates.

For queries, if any, candidates can contact Admission Cell of ANIIMS (03192-230258). For detailed information, refer to prospectus of ANIIMS.

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most successful and largest inoculation programmes when compared to many developed western nations with significantly low population base to vaccinate. In the vaccination drive, the country has achieved several milestones, which have no precedent in the

world, including administering over 100 crore doses in less than nine months, administering 2.51 crore doses in a single day and several times administering one crore doses in a day, it said. Covid vaccine doses administered in the country surpassed the 100-crore mark on

October 21 last year. The cumulative vaccine doses administered in the country surpassed the 150-crore mark on January 7.

With the administration of more than 66 lakh vaccine doses in a day, India's COVID-19 vaccination coverage has exceeded 156.76

crore, according to provisional reports till 7.00 a.m. on Sunday. More than 43.19 lakh precaution doses of the vaccine have been administered. Also, 3,38,50,912 first doses have been given to beneficiaries in the 15-18 years age group.

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difference" in Covid case load and linked mortality between Indian states. "Any assumptions putting all states in one envelope would mean mapping skewed data of outliers together with states reporting lowest mortality which is bound to stretch the median towards higher and wrong results," the ministry said. Furthermore, there is an incentive in India to report Covid deaths as they are

entitled to monetary compensation. Hence, the likelihood of under-reporting is less, it said. "During a disruptive situation like the pandemic, the actual mortality could be more than the reported deaths due to many factors, even in the most robust health systems. However, any analysis with the view to deduce information collected from extremely varied case load and outcome situations

among Indian states is bound to be incomplete and incorrect," the statement said. These current media reports on "significant undercount" of the actual number of people who have died in India are based on study which seems biased in nature as only adults with COVID-19 symptoms were captured and cannot be thus representative of the general population, the statement said.

"There also appears to be selection bias as the survey is restricted to phone owning people who can also take time to answer questions comprehensively. The sample could be skewed towards urban areas in that sense, where more cases were reported, and thus, have a higher reporting. They are also people likely to be more aware and have greater reporting bias," it said.

Criminal action initiated against missing fertilizers, case registered

Port Blair, Jan 16: In line with campaign and steps taken for no-tolerance to corruption and irregular practices in the Government Departments by the A&N Administration under the guidance of the Chief Secretary, Agriculture Department has initiated action to curb such activities in the Department. In this context, a Committee constituted under the Joint Director (Agri.) HQs detected

a huge discrepancy on 12.01.2022 between the quantities of DAP (Diammonium Phosphate) and MOP (Muriate of Potash) fertilizers listed in the stock register and found in the physical stock at the Department's Sub-depot at Ferragunj. The missing fertilizers details are as under:- Apparently, the above discrepancy occurred due to pilferage and misappropriation in connivance and collusion of the

concerned officials naming the Sub-Depot as a case of theft has neither been reported to the superior officers of the Department nor the Police. Considering the seriousness of the issue of pilferage of fertilizers meant for small and marginal farmers by probable diversion and sale in the black market, a case has been lodged by the Department at P.S. Oragbadj to unravel the conspiracy and nexus between the concerned

officials of the Department and private persons involved in the said illegal act and to take action against the culprits. Further, the Department has also initiated disciplinary proceedings against the delinquent officials. The Department has thus taken swift action to send a stern message to Govt. servants involved in such acts of misconduct and financial irregularities.

Sl. No.	Item	Rate Per MT	Stock as per stock book	Handed over Stock	Shortages (if any)	Amount (in Rs.)
1	DAP	22177.14	37.25 MT	21.06 MT	15.65 MT	347072.24
2	MOP	15688.00	30.00 MT	29.30 MT	0.7 MT	10981.60
					16.35 MT	358053.84

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suggested that since the entire crew was 'master green' category, they were confident that they would be able to wriggle out of the situation as there was no distress call made to the ground stations to suggest an emergency. Sources added that the 'Master green' category is given to the best of pilots in the transport aircraft and helicopter fleets of the three forces as they are the ones who can land or take off in low visibility as well. Further, it said that one of the recommendations which are learnt to have been made by

the inquiry committee is that in future, the crew should be a mix of master green and other category pilots so that if required, they can seek help from the ground stations. A number of other recommendations are also learnt to have been made by the inquiry committee headed by Air Marshal M Singh. Rawat, who hails from Pauli Garhwal in Uttarakhand, died in a helicopter crash near Coonoor in Tamil Nadu on December 8 along with 13 others including his wife Madhulika Rawat.

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bread like flour bread are few, we should consume white bread i.e. maida bread to a minimum. If you are unaware of the harm caused by bread, then in this story we will tell you the bad effect of bread on your health.

Salt level- More salt is used in making most of the breads. The amount of salt in the bread bought from the market is very high. Therefore, the more bread you eat, the higher the sodium level in your body. In such a situation, if your sodium level is already increased,

then its consumption can be very harmful for your health. Therefore, avoid the consumption of bread as much as possible. is also responsible for weight gain- The amount of carbohydrate in bread is very high, along with it also contains salt and refined sugar, which are harmful for health. Eating bread daily can also increase our weight. On the other hand, white bread is made of refined flour and sugar, so if you eat bread with flour, then your blood sugar level is likely to increase very fast.

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immune and to adapt to the changing immunity in humans and then tries to make these mutants so that it can escape. This is like a game, like a chess game, I would say as an analogy between the virus and the humans. So, that virus is putting out its moves, we as humans are putting out our moves. We have small moves, which are the facemask, hand sanitiser, social distancing. We have weapons that we have used against the virus which are the vaccines, the antivirals, and the antibodies," said Dr. Kutub. He further appreciated India for achieving 60 per cent vaccination within a year. "This is a real great achievement for the country and for the vaccine manufacturers in India. As you know, Indian vaccines are globally used. And this time, last year, we were just in the process of getting these vaccines approved through the Indian DCGI for emergency use and in 12 months we have achieved almost 160 per cent vaccination this is a huge achievement for the Indian Government, Ministry of Health and vaccine manufacturers," said the virologist. On mutation of COVID viruses he said, "If there are any certain mutants coming in, we will not be surprised. I think we should be able to contain it with vaccinations and the key is vaccination again if the population is vaccinated, that would be my strong message, to get those vaccines and the boosters so that they are protected against any of these variants." Commenting on a surge in coronavirus cases in India and abroad, amid the spread of the Omicron variant, Dr. Kutub said, "Yes, there are some cases where there are reinfections and those are particularly in immunocompromised subjects that have

other medical preconditions. We can have boosters to contain virus in those immune-compromised cases." Speaking on various studies that suggest T cells play an important role in fighting off viruses, Dr. Kutub stated, "T cell response analysis has been not seriously investigated, but I think there is a big role of T cells particularly the helper T cells and the establishment of the helper T cells in the subject because, these T cells will help B cells to make the antibody and these T cells can be cross-reactive also where they can be long-lasting T cell immunity and it is very critical that we establish a good cellular immunity with the current with the current vaccine that we have." Recently, Covaxin manufacture has said that its booster is 90 per cent effective against Omicron. Dr. Kutub said that India's unique product Covaxin made by Bharat Biotech has also shown safety in 2-year-old children too. "Covaxin is inactivated vaccines and this is the traditional way how we make the vaccine is to grow the virus and inactivate the virus and make the vaccines and in a traditional sense that would be my first approach in making the vaccine and Covaxin being an indigenous strain from India and manufactured by the Indian company," said the virologist. "I mean this is a uniquely Indian product, which I would like to congratulate the Indian company and the Indian government for moving in this direction for the vision of our Prime Minister. So this is actually a very good vaccine and we have seen the data is coming out from the clinical studies about the safety of this in the very young up to 2 yrs of age," he added.

NDTV's Kamal Khan, Award-Winning Reporter, Dies; Tributes Pour In

Kamal Khan was with NDTV for over three decades, and will be remembered as a legendary reporter whose work stood out for its perceptiveness and integrity.

NDTV's Kamal Khan, a veteran and award-winning journalist known for his outstanding reportage of Uttar Pradesh politics and elegant language, died at his home in Lucknow this morning after suffering a heart attack. Kamal Khan was with NDTV for over three decades.

He will be remembered as a legendary reporter whose work stood out for its perceptiveness and integrity, and the way in which he delivered hard truths with poetic dexterity.

As a news anchor Kamal was the picture of poise and expertise, and his language was famous for its trademark elegance.

Most of all, he was a wonderful and generous human being who had only kind words and boundless time for anyone who met him.

His last report was on the high-profile exits of BJP MLAs ahead of the UP Assembly election.

As his colleagues, friends and family processed news of his death, he was trending worldwide and in India with hashtags like #RIP.

Lakhs of people wrote in to say he was an immaculate journalist and masterful storyteller. Fellow reporters said they relied on him for the news, and the political leaders his reportage covered and held to account.

"Yogi Adityanath has consoled the death of senior journalist Kamal Khan. Praying for the peace of the departed soul, the Chief Minister expressed his condolences to the bereaved family members," - a statement from the UP Chief Minister's office said.

"The passing of Kamal Khanji, who



emerged as a serious voice of journalism, is very sad! The deep voice of his truth will always remain... My heartfelt tribute! Samajwadi Party leader and former UP Chief Minister Akhilesh Yadav.

"Shocked to hear about the passing away of senior journalist Kamal Khanji. I met him just a few days ago and we discussed many things. He kept alive the values of truth and public interest in journalism. My deepest condolences to his family members" - Congress leader Priyanka Gandhi Vadra.

"The news of Kamal Khan's demise is sad. He was a good and respected journalist. My condolences to his loved ones," - her brother, Congress MP Rahul Gandhi.

"The news of the sudden demise of renowned TV journalist Kamal Khan, associated with NDTV, is a very sad loss

to journalism. My deepest condolences to his family and loved ones. May God give every one the strength to bear this sorrow..." - Former UP Chief Minister Mayawati.

This is very sad. The sudden demise of famous journalist Kamal Khanji is a big loss for the world of journalism. I pray to God to give his family strength to bear this loss. My humble tribute..." - Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal.

"Received the sad news of the untimely demise of senior journalist Kamal Khanji. His departure has caused an irreparable loss to the fourth pillar of democracy. May God give peace to the departed soul and strength to the bereaved family to bear this grief." - Jharkhand Chief Minister Hemant Soren. "Received the news of the sad demise of senior and renowned journalist Kamal Khan. My condolences to the family. May God give

him a place at his feet and strength to his family to bear this sorrow"- former Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Kamal Nath.

"We belong to Him and to Him we return. The passing away of senior journalist Kamal Khanji is deeply saddening and leaves a huge void. My sincerest condolences to his family, friends, admirers & colleagues. May God give them strength to bear this irreparable loss" - Housing and Urban Affairs Minister and Petroleum Minister Hardeep Singh Puri.

"It is very sad to hear about the demise of eminent journalist Kamal Khanji... my deepest condolences. Praying to God to grant peace to the departed soul and strength to the bereaved family members to bear this loss" - Aviation Minister Jyoti Radhika.

"Shocked by the news of the passing of Kamal Khan saheb, a great journalist (and) a wonderful human being. May God give strength to his family and friends to bear this immense sorrow." - Minority Affairs Minister Mukhtar Abbas Naqvi.

"I am deeply saddened by the news of the passing of a friend and senior journalist Kamal Khan saheb. Many of my talks with him were very refreshing. There was poetry in his reporting... with a gentle but unmatched grip on facts. Will miss hearing 'Kamal Khan from Lucknow, for NDTV India'." - former Rajya Sabha and Lok Sabha MP Raj Babbur.

"Deeply saddened by the demise of veteran journalist Kamal Khanji. May Almighty grant him the highest rank in Jannah. Strength and condolences to the family." - Maharashtra minister Nawab Malik.

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"INDIA FEELS PROUD": PM MODI ON 1 YEAR OF VACCINATION DRIVE

Lauding India's COVID-19 vaccination drive as it completes a year, Prime Minister Narendra Modi today said it has added great strength to the fight against the pandemic and has resulted in saving lives and protecting livelihoods. When the pandemic first struck, not much was known about the virus. However, our scientists and innovators immersed themselves in developing vaccines, he said. India feels proud that our nation has been able to contribute to fighting the pandemic through vaccines, PM Modi tweeted.

"I salute each and every individual who is associated with the vaccination drive," he said, adding that the role of doctors, nurses and healthcare workers is exceptional.

"When we see glimpses of people being vaccinated in remote areas, or our healthcare workers taking the vaccines there, our hearts and minds are filled with pride," he said.

The prime minister asserted that India's approach to fighting the pandemic will always remain science-based. Health infrastructure is also being augmented to ensure that fellow citizens get proper care, he said, asking

people to keep following all COVID-19 related protocols.

The countrywide vaccination drive against COVID-19 on Sunday completed one year, during which over 156.76 crore vaccine doses were administered.

According to Health Ministry officials, over 92 per cent of the adult population have received at least one dose while over 68 per cent have been fully vaccinated. The Centre will issue a post stamp this afternoon to mark the completion of one year of the inoculation drive.

Iron Man To Hamlet To Queen: Assam Police's Partners In Crime-Fighting

Assam Police has shared space with brands such as Google, Amul and Toyota in being creators of the top memes of the year with their inventive social media campaigns on topics ranging from drunk driving to helmet safety.

Guwahati: From Hamlet and James Bond, to Iron Man and Captain America -- the Assam Police has deployed the use of multiple famed figures in their quest to combat crime and generate social awareness in recent months, not to mention employing the help of their very own 'DJ Lockup' to monitor drunken driving. These heroes and superheroes haven't stepped out of their fictional worlds, but rather, have been featured in Assam Police's inventive social media campaigns to help them connect with the public in their bid to promote awareness on societal ills. Police Commissioner of Guwahati Hameet Singh told PTL, "Our idea is to work together with society and impress upon the people that following rules is in everybody's own interest." "We wanted to connect with the people and we have been trying to put across our messages in a language and an idiom that is understood across generations and the entire spectrum," he said. In addition to making use of superhero cameos, they state police force also employs frequent social media posts that spin popular Hindi phrases, from "Hum Do, Hamare Do" to "Ek Aur Ek Gyrarah", to get their message across. Be it the campaign against drunk driving on New Year's Eve or the one on helmets for two-wheeler riders, the messages have not just drawn praise but also inspired police forces in different parts of the country and even abroad, to

launch similar campaigns.

Their campaign against drunk and rash driving on New Year's Eve -- featuring a creative imitation of a New Year's party poster that cheekily advertised a "special performance by DJ Lockup" and asked readers to "not to be our guests" -- inspired police forces not just from other parts of the country (including Uttar Pradesh, Punjab and Shimla) but also from Uganda to post similar messages. The latest campaign on wearing helmets by pillion riders with the phrase "Hum Do Hamare Do Helmet", has also been well-received by the public. The helmets safety campaign has also seen a creative spin on Shakespeare's Hamlet -- "To be or not to be!", with the police urging the public "Don't be Hamlet. Always wear a Helmet". Another post features photos of Iron Man and Captain America with the question, "Your child's heroes go to work wearing a helmet. Do you?"

James Bond joined Assam Police in a "No Time For Violence" appeal, while legendary Queen singer Freddie Mercury featured in a tweak of the film "Bohemian Rhapsody", urging people not to fall victim to fake news and fact-check before forwarding any message.

The state police force's intensified 'war on drugs' campaign has also featured many e-catching creatives and memes, including one in which the police appealed for people's

support by stating, "Public aur Police Ek aur Ek Gyrarah hai... aur Drugs ke karobar kamayalon ko Nau-Do-Gyrarah kama hai!" The power of social media to not only connect but also ensure a positive two-way engagement with the citizens is being worked upon to the maximum by the Assam Police, Mr Singh said.

"Social media is a two-way medium and our response on it has been quick. We are perhaps among the handful of police forces where even topmost police officials respond promptly to public queries on social media and send forth help," he said.

"This quick connect with the people has been particularly helpful during the COVID-19 pandemic, especially during the lockdowns, where we were able to serve the people in the best possible manner," he added.

The campaigns on traffic rules awareness have been very fruitful and as envisioned by Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma, the police were able to ensure an incident-free New Year and Bhogali Bihu Uruka celebration (on January 13 and 14) in Guwahati, Mr Singh said.

"We are working towards commuter ease and safety. Every one has an equal right on the road and we want to sensitise people about this, so as to ensure their own as well as everyone else's safety," the commissioner said. Challenges for fines amounting to ₹17.98 crore have been issued from August last year till January 12 in Guwahati itself, with a

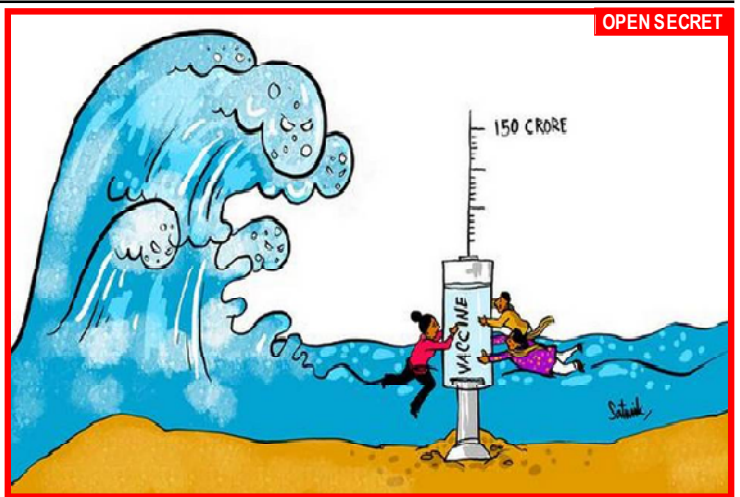
whopping ₹4.21 crore in December when the campaign against rash driving was intensified. As many as 793 cases of drunk driving have been registered in the city from December 22 to January 12, and 13,564 cases of helmet violations during the same period.

"The drive has ensured that the festivities around New Year were enjoyed safely by everyone. We shall be continuing it with the same zeal throughout," Singh said. "In January, the helmet and drunk driving violations are declining due to the December sensitisation and enforcement," he said, adding that focus will now be turned on to wearing seat belts.

Behind the eye-catching social media campaigns is a team of young consultants, working closely with a group of Assam Police officials with Mr Singh at the fore.

Titiraj Kashyap Das and Salik Khan are engaged as creative consultants, while Vishal More lends the tech support. Promoted Listen to the latest songs, only on JioSaavn.com "It's a team effort. We have separate teams for Guwahati Police and Assam Police. Perhaps, my theatre background has helped," Mr Singh, who is credited for the campaigns, said with a smile.

The officer said Assam Police has shared space with brands such as Google, Amul and Toyota in being creators of the top memes of the year.



Massive 225x150 Feet Indian Flag Displayed At Jaisalmer Military Station

The flag display was followed by the singing of the national anthem and a military band performance.

Jaipur: The Indian Army's southern command on Saturday displayed a monumental national flag made of khadi measuring 225 feet X 150 feet at the Jaisalmer Military Station on the occasion of Army day.

"The display of the flag also commemorates the 75th year of India's Independence being celebrated as Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav," Defence spokesperson Lt Col Amitabh Sharma said.

He said the flag has been prominently displayed and is clearly visible from several kilometers away.

The flag display was followed by the singing of the national anthem and a military band performance, Lt Col Sharma said.



Maharashtra Reports 42,462 New Covid Cases, 23 Deaths

Coronavirus: Maharashtra also reported 125 new Omicron cases during the day, raising the tally of the new variant infections to 1,730.

Maharashtra on Saturday reported 42,462 new coronavirus infections, 749 less than Friday, besides 23 deaths, the state health department said. The number of recovered cases surged to 67,60,514 after 39,646 patients were discharged during the day.

The overall caseload rose to 71,70,483, and death count reached 1,41,779.

Also, 125 new Omicron cases came light in the state during the day, raising the tally of such infections to 1,730.

Between Thursday and Friday, new COVID-19 cases had decreased by 3,195, compared to which Saturday's fall was smaller. As many as 879 Omicron patients have fully recovered so far.

Coronavirus case fatality rate in the state is 1.97 per cent while recovery rate is 94.28 per cent.

Of 125 new cases of the highly contagious variant Omicron, 24 were reported from Mumbai, 39 from Nagpur, 11 from Pune, 20 from Mira Bhayandar, nine from Amravati, five from Akola, three from Pimpri

Chinchwad and two each came from Aurangabad, Jalna, rural parts of Pune and Ahmednagar and one each from Nashik, Kolhapur, Latur, Satara, Thane city and Wardha, the reports said.

Of 42,462 new COVID-19 cases and 23 deaths reported on Saturday, 10,661 infections and 11 fatalities were reported from Mumbai city alone.

The tally of active cases increased to 2,64,441. Currently, 22, 10, 108 people are in home quarantine and 6, 102

persons are in institutional quarantine. As many as 2,00,156 coronavirus tests were conducted in the last 24 hours, taking their cumulative tally to 7,17,64,226.

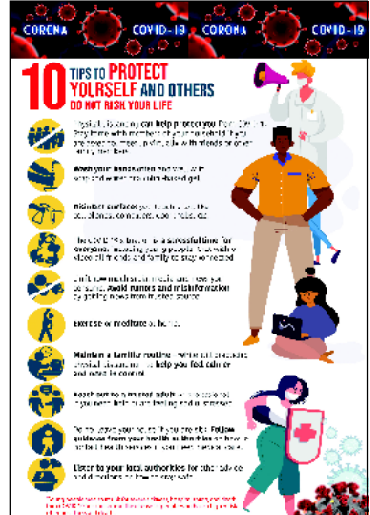
The Mumbai region, which comprises the metropolis and its satellite cities, recorded 20,924 new cases.

It was followed by the Pune region (11,519 new cases), Nashik (2,917 cases), Nagpur (3,021), Kolhapur (1,388), Latur (1,093), Aurangabad (867) and the Akola region (733 cases).

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