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Port Blair, Dec. 17, 2021: Admiral D K Joshi, PVSM, AVSM, YSM, NM, VSM (Retd.), Hon'ble Lt. Governor, A&N Islands and Vice-Chairman, Islands Development Agency chaired a video conference along with Shri Jitendra Narain, Chief Secretary, A&N Administration with team of Ministry of Civil Aviation & other senior officers of Airport Authority of India/ Director General of Civil Aviation, India led by Smti Usha Padhee, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Civil Aviation, Government of India for operationalization of Seaplanes in the country.

## Ministry of Jal Shakti launches Swachh Surveskshan Grameen (SSG) 2021



Port Blair, Dec. 16, 2021: The Ministry of Jal Shakti, Department of Drinking Water and Sanitation, Govt. of India has launched the Swachh Surveskshan

Grameen – 2021, a survey of cleanliness, hygiene and sanitation to boost the government's push for Open Defecation Free (ODF) Plus status for villages and shall

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## Andaman Tourism Participate in 36th IATO Convention at Gujarat



Port Blair, Leela, Gandhi Nagar from 16th Dec to 18th Dec 2021. A Delegation of Andaman Tourism attended the 36th Annual Convention of IATO held at The

The Participants from Andaman were Shri Chander Rao, HK Asst. Manager,

Tourism Dept., Shri Mohammed Jadwet, ACCI, Shri M. Vinod, President, AATO, Shri Ratnam, President, Forto.

The theme of this year's convention was Brand India - Road to Recovery.

The Convention was inaugurated by the Honble Chief Minister of Gujarat.

The Stakeholders have expressed gratitude towards A&N Administration for providing them an opportunity to be a part of the successful event.

## MP congratulates Lt. Governor, Admn. & Islanders for achieving 100 % 2<sup>nd</sup> dose vaccination of 'Targeted' Population



Port Blair Dec. 19, 2021: The Member of Parliament of Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Mr. Kuldeep Rai Sharma has congratulated the Hon'ble Lt. Governor of Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Admiral (Retd.) D K

Joshi, the Chief Secretary of A & N Administration, Mr. Jitendra Narain, the Health Department, Police Department, entire Administration and all Islanders for achieving 100 % second dose vaccination of 'Targeted' Population.

He added that despite the topographical challenges of Andaman and Nicobar Islands, achieving this milestone is a Commendable job.

At this time, when the world is facing a new challenge because of the Omicron

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## Mantra4change comes forward to strengthen and improve medical infrastructure of Primary Health Centre- Radha Nagar, Diglipur



Port Blair, 17th Dec, 2021: The organisation "Mantra4change" will be strengthening and improving the medical infrastructure of Primary Health Centre- Radha Nagar, Diglipur. In its endeavour of enabling COVID-19 relief work, the organisation will install equipment worth Rs. 10 Lakhs in the PHC. Under this assistance, the organisation will be setting-up 5 beds in PHC. The PHC will be enabled to a

plug and play infrastructure with power backup. This initiative is supported by Ashraya Hastha Trust - A philanthropic organisation run by one of the Co-founders of Infosys - Mr.K.Dinesh.

This venture of Mantra4change was flagged-off today by Dr. Munni Singhania, Director of Health Services and Dr. Avijith Roy, Deputy Director Health Ser-

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EDITORIAL

# MSP for all crops is fiscally unfeasible

Several countries around the world, especially the G-20, support their agriculture. Research tells us that the best way to support agriculture in a sustainable and competitive manner is to invest in agri-R&D, agri-cultural-extension systems, and connect farmers to lucrative markets, domestic and external, by building efficient value chains. Giving farmers their right to choose the best technologies and the best markets is fundamental to the robust functioning of agri-systems and augmenting farmers' incomes.

But in a democratic system, policies are not always framed on a scientific basis. They are often influenced by various lobbies, including politicians who at the time of elections offer freebies like free electricity, and farm loan waivers as "doles for votes". This short sightedness results in sub-optimal or even irrational policy choices, which, in due course, harm the economy, environment, and even farmers.

Let us discuss here the case of minimum support prices (MSP), which many political parties are demanding to make a legal instrument. The legality of MSP means that no one is allowed to buy a crop below its MSP. If this demand is accepted it will not only mess up the economy but will ultimately turn out to be anti-farmer. The reason is simple: It ignores the basic logic that prices are largely decided by the overall demand and supply. In the case of surplus, which usually happens at harvest time, prices fall to clear the market. If MSP is above that market clearing price, no one from the private sector will be willing to buy. In that case, the government will have to become the buyer of last resort, else farmers will be left high and dry with no buyers for their produce, making farmers worse-off. The issue is how much the government can buy, of how many commodities, and what will be its cost.

As of today, the government declares MSP for 23 crops: Seven cereals (paddy, wheat, maize, bajra, sorghum, ragi and barley), five pulses (tur, moong, chana, urad and masur), seven oilseeds (soybean, groundnut, rapeseed-mustard, sesamum, safflower, sunflower and nigerseed) and four commercial crops (sugarcane, cotton, jute and copra). The main procurement, however, happens largely for rice and wheat to feed the public distribution system (PDS). The PDS issue prices of rice and wheat are subsidised by more than 90 per cent of their economic cost to the government. In 2020-21, the food subsidy bill was almost 30 per cent of the net tax revenue of the central government, reflecting clearly a huge consumer-bias in the system. Unless this PDS is reformed either by restricting this to say the bottom 30 per cent of the population, or raising the issue prices to say half the economic cost of rice and wheat, giving a better deal to farmers is likely to blow up the fiscal position of the central government.

It may also be remembered that the MSP regime had its genesis in 1965 when India was hugely short of basic staples and living in a "ship-to-mouth" situation. It was an indicative price (not a legal price) and procurement of rice and wheat was done to support farmers when they were adopting new seeds (HYV technology) and domestic procurement was to feed the PDS. But now with granaries overflowing with rice and wheat, there is a need to rethink and redesign the procurement policy. In the crop year 2020-21, about 60 million metric tonnes (MMTs) of rice and 43 MMTs of wheat were procured by the Food Corporation of India (FCI) and NAFED procured about 0.66 MMTs of pulses.

# Over 150 BJP leaders deployed in Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand for assembly polls



PTI | New Delhi | Dec. 19, 2021

With assembly polls in Uttar Pradesh and Uttarakhand drawing closer, over 150 senior BJP leaders from Delhi are traversing through the two states to work for the victory of the party.

More than 100 senior leaders and functionaries have been deployed to work as district in-charges in 44 assembly segments in Western Uttar Pradesh to coordinate and streamline campaigning and booth management, BJP leaders here said.

The team of BJP leaders working at district and assembly constituency level will be supervised by former Delhi BJP president Vijender Gupta and current general

secretary Dinesh Pratap Singh.

"This is a normal exercise to send leaders from different states to help where the party is fighting elections. Proximity of Delhi to Uttarakhand and Western Uttar Pradesh mean our leaders working there will have some impact on the ground," said a senior Delhi BJP leader deployed in Uttar Pradesh.

he Delhi leaders team will spend at least 50 days in these 44 Assembly constituencies across nine districts working with local leaders in strengthening the party's organisational and booth management strategies, he said.

"In the previous assembly polls in Uttar Pradesh, the BJP

won 32 of these 44 seats. Our goal is not just to retain them but also increase the tally," he said.

Delhi BJP vice presidents Virender Sachdeva, Ashok Goel Devraha and Sunil Yadav, spokespersons Vikram Bidhuri, Aditya Jha, Mohan Lal Gohara and Brajesh Rai, former mayor Jai Prakash JP are among those deputed in Uttar Pradesh.

In Uttarakhand, 60 Delhi BJP leaders have been deployed to coordinate with local leaders for electioneering in 20 Assembly seats in the state.

Senior party leaders Rajesh Bhatia and Yogender Chandolia will be in-charge and co-in-charge respectively of the team.

"We are already in our designated districts and assembly seats and working as per instructions to expand and boost local party base through coordination and execution of strategies," said a Delhi BJP leader dispatched to the poll-bound hill state.

The involvement of Delhi leaders will pick up pace after the elections are declared, he added.

# Indian Desert Cat spotted in MP's Panna Tiger Reserve

PTI | Panna | Dec. 19, 2021

An Indian Desert Cat has been spotted for the first time in Madhya Pradesh's Panna Tiger Reserve (PTR), a senior forest official claimed.

"A tourist has shared the pictures taken by him of an Indian Desert Cat in the reserve's Akola buffer zone recently, during the night safari," PTR's field director Uttam Kumar Sharma said on Saturday.

As the name suggests, this cat is found in deserts and can survive without water. The toes of the species have cushion like hair which help it balance the fluctuating desert temperatures, the official said.

He said the presence of this wild cat was not reported in the PTR's records

earlier. "The name of the Indian Desert Cat was mentioned in old documents of the PTR, but the photographic presence of this species was not recorded earlier," the official said.

He said earlier, the presence of a desert cat was recorded in the state's Nauradehi sanctuary.

"We are looking for documents to ascertain where its presence was recorded earlier in Madhya Pradesh," he said.

The official also said the presence of the desert cat in the PTR indicates that the number of species of various wild animals is increasing in the reserve due to security being heightened in its forest areas.



In August this year, a fishing cat, one of the endangered animals in India, was spotted in the PTR, state government officials earlier said.

This species of cat, which mostly eats fish as its food, is becoming extinct, they had said. It was captured on a camera installed in the tiger reserve

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# India-Central Asia dialogue: Our concerns, goals in Afghanistan similar, says Jaishankar

New Delhi 19 Dec, 21:

External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar Sunday told the foreign ministers of Central Asian countries that their "concerns and objectives" in Afghanistan are "similar", and flagged "a truly inclusive and representative government, the fight against terrorism and drug trafficking, ensuring unhindered humanitarian assistance and preserving the rights of women, children and the minorities" as their concerns and goals.

Jaishankar was addressing the foreign ministers of Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan at the India-Central Asia dialogue in New Delhi. Three of these countries, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan and Tajikistan, share a border with Afghanistan.

"We all also share deep-rooted historical and civilizational ties with Afghanistan. Our concerns and objectives in that country are similar: a truly inclusive and representative government, the fight against terrorism and drug trafficking, ensuring unhindered humanitarian assistance and preserving the rights of women, children and the minorities. We must find ways of helping the people of Afghanistan," he told the visiting ministers.

The dialogue comes amid concerns over human rights as well as the humanitarian situation in Afghanistan. New Delhi and Islamabad are engaging, each on its own track, with key partners in the region and beyond with a conference in each capital Sunday.

In Islamabad, Pakistan is hosting the 17th extraordinary session of the Organisation of



Islamic Cooperation's (OIC) Council of Foreign Ministers with the country's Foreign Minister Shah Mahmood Qureshi expressing hope that they will "reach a consensus on measures to improve the situation in Afghanistan".

Significantly, the five Central Asian countries, whose foreign ministers are currently in India, are also members of the OIC grouping and they have skipped the meeting in Islamabad to attend the dialogue in New Delhi.

Sunday's conference here will also set the stage for the presence of the leaders of these five nations at the Republic Day celebrations next month, Covid situation permitting. This includes Kazakhstan's Kassym-Jomart Tokayev; Uzbekistan's Shavkat Mirziyoyev; Tajikistan's Emomali Rahmon; Turkmenistan's Gurbanguly Berdimuhamedow; and Kyrgyzstan's Sadyr Japarov.

Since 2012, there has been

an active engagement between India and these five Central Asian countries. India considers them as part of its "extended neighbourhood". Jaishankar visited Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, Tajikistan and Uzbekistan this year and met the Foreign Minister of Turkmenistan in October this year.

At today's meeting, the ministers are expected to discuss further strengthening of relations with India focusing on trade, connectivity and development cooperation. They will also exchange views on regional and international issues of mutual interest, the MEA said in a statement.

The five foreign ministers are expected to pay a joint courtesy call on Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

Jaishankar, who met Tajikistan's Foreign Minister Sirojiddin Muhriddin said Saturday, "As neighbours of Afghanistan, we have been very concerned at the devel-

opments there. And the participation of the Secretary of (Tajikistan's) Security Council in the Regional Security Dialogue, which we hosted in November, is something which is deeply appreciated." He publicly thanked him for Tajikistan's support to India during the evacuation of Indians - and some members of minority communities - from Afghanistan in August and September.

Sunday's meeting also follows the November 10 regional security dialogue on Afghanistan for which the NSAs of these five countries were in Delhi along with those from Russia and Iran. At that meeting, hosted by NSAAjit Doval, all expressed concern at the current situation in Afghanistan.

Incidentally, on the same day, Islamabad had hosted special envoys from the US, China and Russia to discuss the situation in Afghanistan.

This time, too, Pakistan's

Afghan diplomacy is in parallel. Besides OIC members and observers, the Pakistan Foreign Office said, the UN system, international financial institutions, international and regional organisations and non-OIC members, including P-5 countries, European Union and countries like Japan and Germany have also been invited. Taliban's Foreign Minister Amir Khan Muttaqi arrived in Islamabad Saturday for the meeting as well.

Sources said that Delhi's outreach is to the five Central Asian countries who have deep stakes in the stability of Afghanistan while Pakistan is trying to rally the support of Islamic countries in favour of Afghanistan.

OIC Secretary General Hissein Brahim Taha, who arrived in Pakistan Friday, said it was high time to think how Muslim countries could help their Afghan brethren at this critical juncture.

## Srisailem temple: Muslim shopkeepers of shrine complex hail Supreme Court order



Hyderabad | 19 Dec, 2021

The Muslim shopkeepers of the Sri Bhramaramba Mallikarjuna Swamy Temple complex in Kurnool district in Andhra Pradesh have hailed the Supreme Court's order directing that people from other faiths already holding shop li-

cences in the temple premises must not be barred from participating in the auction for shops.

The auctioning process in the premises of this temple - popularly known as the Srisailem temple - had been put off by the state government in August 2019 after some Hindu groups opposed participation of non-Hindus in it citing the AP Charitable and Hindu Religious Institution and Endowments Act, 1987, which bars non-Hindus from operating

near temples.

An apex court bench of Justices DY Chandrachud and BV Nagarathna directed that "none of the tenants/shop holders shall be excluded from participating in the auction or from the grant of leases solely on the ground of their religion".

The direction was given Friday in two petitions-one filed by a group of 21 Muslim shopkeepers of Srisailem, and another, a contempt petition, filed by owner of a shop outside Kanaka Durga temple at

Vijayawada. The bench combined both petitions.

In January 2017, the Srisailem temple administration had taken up widening of the two main approach roads to the temple, for which at least 50 shops had to be demolished. The administration had assured shop owners that new shops would be allocated to them nearby. Among the 50 shop owners are 21 Muslims.

The temple administration built the Sri Lalithambika Shopping Complex for new shops,

but when the auction was to be held in 2019, several Hindu groups led by Bajrang Dal and local BJP member Srikanth Reddy objected to participation by non-Hindus, citing the AP Charitable and Hindu Religious Institution and Endowments Act, 1987.

While the state government halted the auction, Minister for Endowments Vellampalli Srinivasa transferred the temple's Executive Officer (EO) to cool down tempers.

# MP requests CS to schedule sailing of passenger vessels for Nicobar District, including Campbell Bay atleast four times in a month and publication of schedule in advance

Port Blair 17 Dec. 21: The Member of Parliament of Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Mr. Kuldeep Rai Sharma has requested the Chief Secretary of Andaman and Nicobar Administration to direct the concerned department to

schedule sailing of passenger vessels for Nicobar District atleast four times in a month and also publication of the schedule well in advance so that people can plan medical treatment and mainland journey accordingly.

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variant of Corona Virus, this remarkable achievement will not only provide a layer of safety to Islanders but also in the long run it will ensure smooth social and economic activities in Andaman and Nicobar Islands.

Mr. Kuldeep Rai Sharma has urged all Islanders not to let the guards down and continue all Covid Appropriate Behaviours in coming days and also cooperate with Administration in this long battle against Corona Virus.

# Ministry of Jal Shakti.....

guide the ranking of all Districts of India on the basis of quantitative and qualitative sanitation (Swachhtha) parameters.

The Swachh Survekshan Grameen 2021 shall support the States/UTs to accelerate ODF Plus interventions and increase momentum for improving ODF Sustainability as well as Solid and Liquid Waste Management (SLWM) activities across the villages in the country. Earlier the Survekshan was held in 2018 and 2019. The focus areas of Swachh Survekshan Grameen (SSG) – 2021 are Solid and Liquid Waste Management, Menstrual Hygiene Management, ODF sustainability and ODF implementation and are broadly classified into three parts - Service Level Progress, Direct Observation and Citizen Feedback.

As part of Swachh Survekshan Grameen, 17,475 villages in 698 Districts across the country will be covered. 87,250 public places namely schools, anganwadis, public health centres, haat/bazaars/religious places in these villages will be visited for survey. Around 1,74,750 Households will be interviewed for their feedback on SBM related issues. Also, citizens will be mobilised to provide feed-

back on sanitation related issues online using an application developed for the purpose.

Under Citizen Feedback component, the Ministry has launched a SSG Citizen Feedback Mobile Application available in playstore, wherein, feedback from the Citizens shall be obtained on the above focus areas. The Mobile Applications seeks answers from citizens in Yes/No format for five pre-developed questions.

The UT of Andaman and Nicobar Islands has also launched the Survekshan in the rural parts of the islands. Active awareness programmes to mobilize the rural mass on the various focus areas aspects of SSG-2021 and Door to Door mobilization of all rural households are being undertaken by the Department under the overall supervision and direction of State Mission Director, SBM-G.

The Secretary (RD/ Panchayat) has exhorted all citizens to come forward and participate in the Swachh Survekshan Grameen – 2021 and implored that SSG is not just a ranking exercise but has been a vehicle for creating a Janandolan (people’s movement).

Further details of the SSG-2021 can be availed from the nearest Gram Panchayat.

# ANTCC highlights the issues faced by residents of Shoal Bay 8 due to non-availability of BSNL tower in their area

Port Blair, Dec 17: The delegation of Andaman & Nicobar Territorial Congress Committee (ANTCC) today called on the CGM, BSNL to notify him about the issues faced by residents of Shoal Bay 8 due to non-availability of BSNL tower in their area. Led by Party President Mr. Rangalal Halder, the delegation included ANTCC Campaign Committee Chairman Mr. TSG Bhasker and DCC President Mr. V.K Abdul Aziz. The delegation submitted a memorandum of their

demand to CGM. They said the ongoing digital divide during the time of pandemic is adversely impacting the functioning of daily life works of peoples residing in Shoal Bay 8. The CGM indeed assured the delegation that a new BSNL tower will be fixed at Shoal Bay 8 by 10th of January, 2022. Further, the delegation also briefed the CGM about the poor internet connectivity at North & Middle Andaman, unavailability of Sim cards at Wimberligunj Exchange

and pending arrears in payment of contractual workers in BSNL. The CGM has assured to fix all the internet related obstacles in North & Middle Andaman within a short period of time, while he guaranteed to provide adequate Sim cards at Wimberligunj Exchange within 20th December, 2021 and to clear all payment arrears by the end of this month. The Congress leaders thanked the CGM for his prompt attention to these matters.

# Congress Party organises meeting at Diglipur to mark 50th Anniversary of Bangladesh Liberation War 1971

Diglipur, Dec. 17: The Congress Party of India, Congress District Committee held a meeting in Diglipur in the evening today to mark the 50th Anniversary of Bangladesh Liberation War 1971 - “Tribute to the Martyr’s of Indian Soldiers and their Family” Salute them.

In his address, Mr. Ujjal Das, Secretary of the Congress District Committee said that the BJP know how to break things and doesn’t know how to build things. Earlier there were a number of boats/ships regularly plying in the inter islands especially from Port Blair to Diglipur and vice versa but now there is boat service but it is highly irregular. Condemning the BJP govt. he also alleged that, the administration should take all initiatives to consolidate Marine Dept. of A & N Administration but to its contrary, the BJP govt.’s interest is to reach benefit to the SCI thereby destroying the job opportunities for the youths of these islands.

Hailing Ex-Prime Minister Smti Indira Gandhi, Mr. Madhai Murshid, newly elected District President of the party said that it was Smti Indra Gandhi who endorsed the political theory of Sheikh Mujibar Rahman and helped East Pakistan get its independence from the West Pakistan. He also praised the martyrdom of the Indian Soldiers who laid their lives in the battle against the Pakistan.

Secretary of the Congress District Committee, Mr. Samar Paul said in his address that, irrespective of political parties, people of India reposed faith

in the BJP and voted for the party in expectation that it would bring prosperity to them and to the nation, but the BJP govt. failed at every front, he alleged. He then leading a withering attack on the electricity dept.’s wrong policy in which a person can’t directly transfer his deceased father’s/ husband’s electric meter connection to his/her name, and for this the person will have to freshly apply for electric meter connection with the remittance required fees which is really unfortunate and untenable, he said.

Mr. Sunil Paramanick, newly elected Block President of the party speaking on the occasion of 50th Anniversary of Bangladesh Liberation, said that it was timely intervention of Ex-Prime Minister Smti Indra Gandhi of India who helped form the Mukti Vahini and liberated Bangladesh from Pakistan.

He then raised a plethora of issues and failures of the BJP govt. Leading a scathing attack on the A & N Administration, he said that the administration was proven to be more cruel than the British rulers. He alleged that, A & N Administration was harsh on the common and the poor people and inflicted undesired treatments on them. Instances were that patients were also returned from the barricade and were not allowed to take medical care/help during COVID-19 pandemic situation, he alleged. He further alleged that, it was also found that poor peasants working in the fields were too challaned by the concerned govt. staff and which

was unexpected in any Independent Nation. He further said, Mr. Kuldeep Rai Sharma is putting his all efforts towards hundred percent job reservation for the aspirants of these islands and arrest the current process of induction of govt. staff from the mainland. He further alleged that, A & N Administration is on a policy of absorbing the aspirants of these islands on contractual basis and is not in a mood to fill the vacant posts as well as not interested in creating new posts thereby pushing the youths of these islands into the dark future. The STS buses plying inter and intra districts are in ramshackle condition which are not providing service but are posing only health hazards, he claimed. Rebutting all allegations against the lone MP of these islands that he is not visiting N & M Andaman District, he said that Mr. Kuldeep Rai Sharma is fighting for the introduction of the Pradesh Council or Assembly in our islands so that officialdom and its affliction on the poor and common people of these islands can be checked. The MP is also trying his level best to see that the flight between Diglipur and Port Blair commences soon, Mr. Paramanick asserted. Criticizing the Modi Govt.’s Kissan Yojna in which the Prime Minister claimed to double the common farmer’s income, Mr. Paramanick said that the farmers are in miserable condition.

The meeting was held under the chairmanship of a veteran Congress Party leader Mr. Haren Roy.

For a More Creative Brain Follow Mantra4change..... from page 1

Nearly all great ideas follow a similar creative process and this article explains how this process works. Understanding this is important because creative thinking is one of the most useful skills you can possess. Nearly every problem you face in work and in life can benefit from innovative solutions, lateral thinking, and creative ideas.

Anyone can learn to be creative by using these five steps. That's not to say being creative is easy. Uncovering your creative genius requires courage and tons of practice. However, this five-step approach should help demystify the creative process and illuminate the path to more innovative thinking.

To explain how this process works, let me tell you a short story.

A Problem in Need of a Creative Solution

In the 1870s, newspapers and printers faced a very specific and very costly problem. Photography was a new and exciting medium at the time. Readers wanted to see more pictures, but nobody could figure out how to print images quickly and cheaply.

For example, if a newspaper wanted to print an image in the 1870s, they had to commission an engraver to etch a copy of the photograph onto a steel plate by hand. These plates were used to press the image onto the page, but they often broke after just a few uses. This process of photoengraving, you can imagine, was remarkably time consuming and expensive.

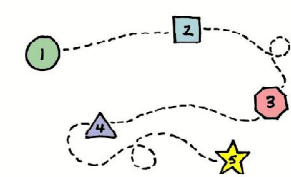
The man who invented a solution to this problem was named Frederic Eugene Ives. He went on to become a trailblazer in the field of photography and held over 70 patents by the end of his career. His story of creativity and innovation, which I will share now, is a useful case study for understanding the 5 key steps of the creative process.

A Flash of Insight

Ives got his start as a printer's apprentice in Ithaca, New York. After two years of learning the ins and outs of the printing process, he began managing the photographic laboratory at nearby Cornell University. He spent the rest of the decade experimenting with new photography techniques and learning about cameras, printers, and optics.

In 1881, Ives had a flash of insight regarding a better printing technique.

"While operating my photostereotype process in Ithaca, I studied the problem of halftone process," Ives said. "I went to bed one night in a state of brain fog over the problem, and the instant I woke in the morning saw before



me, apparently projected on the ceiling, the completely worked out process and equipment in operation."

Ives quickly translated his vision into reality and patented his printing approach in 1881. He spent the remainder of the decade improving upon it. By 1885, he had developed a simplified process that delivered even better results. The Ives Process, as it came to be known, reduced the cost of printing images by 15x and remained the standard printing technique for the next 80 years.

The 5 Stages of the Creative Process

In 1940, an advertising executive named James Webb Young published a short guide titled, *A Technique for Producing Ideas*. In this guide, he made a simple, but profound statement about generating creative ideas.

According to Young, innovative ideas happen when you develop new combinations of old elements. In other words, creative thinking is not about generating something new from a blank slate, but rather about taking what is already present and combining those bits and pieces in a way that has not been done previously.

Most important, the ability to generate new combinations hinges upon your ability to see the relationships between concepts. If you can form a new link between two old ideas, you have done something creative.

Young believed this process of creative connection always occurred in five steps.

1. Gather new material. At first, you learn. During this stage you focus on 1) learning specific material directly related to your task and 2) learning general material by becoming fascinated with a wide range of concepts.

2. Thoroughly work over the materials in your mind. During this stage, you examine what you have learned by looking at the facts from different angles and experimenting with fitting various ideas together.

3. Step away from the problem. Next, you put the problem completely out of your mind and go do something else that excites you and energizes you.

4. Let your idea return to you. At some point, but only after you have stopped thinking about it, your idea will come back to you with a flash of insight and renewed energy.

5. Shape and develop your idea based on feedback. For any

idea to succeed, you must release it out into the world, submit it to criticism, and adapt it as needed.

The Idea in Practice

The creative process used by Frederic Eugene Ives offers a perfect example of these five steps in action.

First, Ives gathered new material. He spent two years working as a printer's apprentice and then four years running the photographic laboratory at Cornell University. These experiences gave him a lot of material to draw upon and make associations between photography and printing.

Second, Ives began to mentally work over everything he learned. By 1878, Ives was spending nearly all of his time experimenting with new techniques. He was constantly tinkering and experimenting with different ways of putting ideas together.

Third, Ives stepped away from the problem. In this case, he went to sleep for a few hours before his flash of insight. Letting creative challenges sit for longer periods of time can work as well. Regardless of how long you step away, you need to do something that interests you and takes your mind off of the problem.

Fourth, his idea returned to him. Ives awoke with the solution to his problem laid out before him. (On a personal note, I often find creative ideas hit me just as I am lying down for sleep. Once I give my brain permission to stop working for the day, the solution appears easily.)

Finally, Ives continued to revise his idea for years. In fact, he improved so many aspects of the process he filed a second patent. This is a critical point and is often overlooked. It can be easy to fall in love with the initial version of your idea, but great ideas always evolve.

The Creative Process in Short "An idea is a feat of association, and the height of it is a good metaphor."

-Robert Frost

The creative process is the act of making new connections between old ideas. Thus, we can say creative thinking is the task of recognizing relationships between concepts.

One way to approach creative challenges is by following the five-step process of 1) gathering material, 2) intensely working over the material in your mind, 3) stepping away from the problem, 4) allowing the idea to come back to you naturally, and 5) testing your idea in the real world and adjusting it based on feedback.

Being creative isn't about being the first (or only) person to think of an idea. More often, creativity is about connecting ideas.



vices. The programme was held today evening at 3 PM at Covid-19 sampling centre, Port Blair. Dr Munni Singhanian flagged of the vehicle carrying the donated goods. The vehicle will be travelling to Diglipur to hand over the items at PHC Radha Nagar.

Mantra4change is a not-for-profit organisation that is currently working on education and COVID relief. It has worked very closely with various departments of government supporting Various COVID relief activities and so far distributed around 10,000+ ration kits, fed around 50,000 people and sent more than 3,000 migrant workers back to their natives. The organization have also supported 9 COVID designated hospitals, 21 PHC's and ICMR Belgaum with critical medical consumables. IT has set up around 100+ oxygenated beds across rural areas spanning in 7 states of Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, Kerala, Tamilnadu, Assam, Nagaland and Manipur.

As a part of organisation's continued efforts to work on COVID relief work, it is setting up oxygenated beds in the hilly and remotely inaccessible areas along the international borders of India.

During the programme Mr. Puneet said, this is just a small initiative and they will be most

willing to contribute more in a better way to the people of Andaman.

Suggestions were given from Dr Avijit to support the people going to the mainland for treatment, in their logistics like stay and food during the period of treatment. Earlier under ANISHI scheme, the logistics were taken care of but after the scheme was abolished and brought under Ayushman Bharat, the poor populace are finding it difficult

Dr. Munni Singhanian suggested bringing in Specialists and Super Specialists who are not business oriented. We have Specialists coming down through Apollo, MYOT etc who target to take the patients to the mainland. She requested, if Specialists are able to visit without business and for true charity, it would be of great help for the people. As for the infrastructure is concerned, the health department has good infrastructure but lacks in specialty treatment

Mr. Puneet also explained the kind of works they did in very remote and rural areas by donating, bike ambulances etc. The trust also had Okays to donate sea ambulance for the islands, but these things can only be done by understanding the requirements of the UT Government, he added.

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In a letter addressed to the Chief Secretary, the Member of Parliament mentioned that the people living in Great Nicobar Islands have been finding themselves totally isolated due scheduling only one passenger ship in the last nearly 26 days.

He pointed out that after a gap of nearly 16 days MV Sindhu had reached Campbell Bay on 6th December 2021 after which no ship schedule has been published for Campbell Bay. Before MV Sindhu, MV Kalighat had reached Campbell Bay on 20 November 2021.

The Member of Parliament highlighted that a large number of residents of Great Nicobar are presently stranded at Port Blair,

many of whom are patients and attendants who have come for treatment in Port Blair while many others have reached Port Blair from mainland and are not able to reach back to Great Nicobar.

He added that similarly, there are stranded passengers for other remote Islands of Nicobar District too, who are waiting for a sailing schedule for Nicobar District.

The Member of Parliament mentioned that in normal cases four to five passenger ships used to be scheduled for Campbell Bay in a month but now hardly two ships are being scheduled for Campbell Bay which is causing great inconvenience to the public.

# Hollywood Rewind | Spider-Man Into the Spider-Verse: The very best of Marvel

New Delhi, December 19, 2021: This might be hard for Marvel fans to digest, but not every film that comes from the company is a great mix of entertainment and intelligence. In fact, only a few can lay claim to aforementioned attributes. The 2018 release Spider-Man: Into the Spider-Verse, helmed by debutante directors Bob Persichetti and Peter Ramsey along with Rodney Rothman, is another matter altogether. Produced by Columbia Pictures and Sony Pictures Animation in association with Marvel Entertainment, it earned millions at the box office apart from bagging the rightly deserving Oscar for Best Animated Feature that year.

There are so many things that happen in this film, which could have been messed up had Spider-Man: Into the Spider-Verse been a live-action film. Here, we get a tasty bite of the multiverse which introduces us to various Spider-People, one of whom is a young woman voiced by the talented actor-singer Hailee Steinfeld. There is a plethora of skilful performers who voice other important characters like Mahershala Ali, Jake Johnson, and of course Shameik Moore, who did a stand-up job of giving voice to our hero Miles Morales.

The interplay and chemistry of the cast remains unmatched, and this is re-



markable considering that in most animation films, actors play off on what plays on screen and most don't even meet each other until they have to finally promote the movie. Shameik and Jake really bring the humour of the well-written script alive, and the incredible animation done largely through computer and inspired by Miles Morales' co-creator Sara Pichelli definitely helped. The comic book style art was one of the highlights of the movie. "A lot of things that you see in most CG films, we didn't want. We wanted a look that was going to make you feel like walking into a comic book," co-director Peter Ramsey had once said while speaking with Variety.

And it was exactly that, you felt like you had walked into some kind of a 3-D comic book where you could reach out and almost touch that part

of the universe yourself. A sequence when Miles finally comes into his own as Spider-Man comes to mind - such an exhilarating scene coupled with a cool song ("What's Up Danger" by Blackway and Black Caviar).

Also, while we are at it, let us talk about the hilarious post-credits scene featuring Oscar Isaac as Miguel O'Haha, the apparent successor to Peter Parker's Spider-Man. Again the makers introduced something new to the mix to make it more fun - meme-ing. The act just featured two Spider-Men bantering over who pointed first at the other. Issac, as he does with most of his performances, nailed this bit too. This of course gives us a tiny taste of what lies ahead for fans in Spider-Man Into the Spider-Verse (Part One) - more inventiveness, making the familiar unfamiliar and fun.

# Jake Paul's vicious KO knocks Woodley out cold, earns sixth round stoppage win



Youtuber-turned-boxer Jake Paul extended his perfect record after sending Tyron Woodley face-first into the canvas with a vicious knockout blow in the sixth round at the Amalie Arena in Tampa, Florida on Saturday.

In a largely uneventful bout, the first five rounds saw little significant action or quality with fans booing the lacklustre display, until Paul delivered a right hand blow that knocked Woodley out cold. Paul, 24, beat former UFC champion Woodley for the second time in four months, after his split-decision victory in August, and improved his professional boxing record to 5-0.

The 39-year-old Woodley replaced Paul's scheduled opponent Tommy Fury, half-brother of heavyweight champion Tyson, after the Briton dropped out earlier this month with a broken rib and chest infection.

"This guy is a legend and respect him for taking the fight

on two weeks' notice," Paul said in an expletive-laden interview where he called out Fury for withdrawing from the match.

"It was a tough fight. I had blood in my eyes. I had the job done. I was setting the punch up the whole fight. He didn't see it coming. Like a lumberjack, timber. It's got to be the moment of my life."

Paul has now knocked out all four of his opponents, having previously stopped fellow YouTuber AnEsonGib, former NBA guard Nate Robinson and ex-UFC fighter Ben Askren.

In the co-main event, unified featherweight world champion Amanda Serrano dominated Spain's Miriam Gutierrez to win the lightweight bout via a unanimous decision.

Two-times NBA All-star Deron Williams beat former NFL running back Frank Gore by split decision in a four-round heavyweight bout earlier in the card.

# Pushpa The Rise box office collection Day 2: Allu Arjun film is unstoppable, crosses Rs 100 crore mark

Allu Arjun's Pushpa The Rise is unstoppable at the box office. The film has crossed Rs 100 crore in two days. On Sunday, the makers shared the box office numbers on Twitter. "MASSive 116 CR 2 days Gross Worldwide for #PushpaTheRise," the tweet read. The film is also doing well in Hindi speaking states. While it started slow with Rs 3 crore on Friday, on Saturday, it showed growth.

"#Pushpa #Hindi RISES on Day 2â€¦ Gathers speedâ€¦ Strong word of mouth converting into energetic footfallsâ€¦ Single screens/mass pockets rockingâ€¦ Major centres witness growthâ€¦ Solid Day 3 on cardsâ€¦ Fri 3 cr, Sat 4 cr. Total: â‚¹ 7 cr. #India biz," trade analyst Taran Adarsh tweeted. The film continues to do

a good business in the US. "#Pushpa crosses \$1.30 Million at the #USA Box office," trade analyst Ramesh Bala shared. Meanwhile, Allu Arjun is receiving heap of praises from his contemporaries. Filmmaker BVS Ravi tweeted, "#pushpa is a testimony of the enormous star power of @alluarjun to carry the world of Pushpa and its nature on his shoulders! Every scene either shows or talks about Pushpa!!! Love Bunny." Raashii Khanna called Allu Arjun 'phenomenal.' "From the accent, to the posture, to the dialect, loved your transformation! More power to you!" she wrote. Not just fans and celebrities, Pushpa received overwhelming response from critics too. "Allu Arjun walks away

with the film with his strong performance. He embraces his deglamorized look and delivers a memorable performance," he mentioned in his review. Pushpa The Rise released on December 17. The Sukumar directorial will make a comeback with the sequel titled Pushpa The Rule. Apart from Allu Arjun, the film stars Rashmika Mandanna. Fahadh Faasil, Sunil, Anasuya and others play pivotal roles.

