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EDITORIAL

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Akali demands

The civil disobedience movement of the Akali Dal (L) has been postponed till November 30. A decision to this effect was taken after a two-hour meeting of the Dal (L) working committee members, district presidents, party legislators and advisors. The party chief, Sant Harchand Singh Longowal, presided over the meeting.

Briefing newsmen after the meeting, Longowal said the movement had been postponed to provide ample time to Prime Minister Indira Gandhi, to examine the party's demands. The meeting condemned the state government for arresting Sikh student leaders on a pretext or the other. It demanded immediate and unconditional release of all arrested student leaders. Through another resolution, the meeting congratulated Sant Longowal for securing the release of Jarnail Singh Bhindranwale.

Indira-Reagan meet
The Government of India that PM Indira Gandhi and US President Ronald Reagan will meet at Cancun on October 21. Mrs Gandhi and Reagan at the meeting — their first — are certain to discuss ways to improve the relations between the two countries which appear to have divergent outlook on crucial international questions.

India has already made it known to the US its views on the Reagan Administration's concept of strategic consensus which, it thinks, has brought the superpower conflict closer to India. Indo-US relations have touched a new low following the Reagan Administration's decision to supply Pakistan F-16 aircraft and sophisticated military hardware.

Geoff Boycotted
For reasons known to itself, Mrs Gandhi's Government is fighting shy of announcing its decision on the fate of the MCC team which is scheduled to visit India next month for a six-test tour beginning on November 6. Two members of the team, Geoff Boycott and Geoff Cook, are reported to have sporting links with racist South Africa. The issue, which has caused differences in the government was referred to the political affairs committee of the Cabinet for a decision.

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Kheri, and earlier in Sonbhadra, Unnao, Bahraich. The articulation underlines a reality given at that besides being in the AICC general secretary in charge of state, she has been campaigning in the Gandhi family's pocket boroughs for years and then in the rest of state after the UPA was ousted from power.

Over 56.62 lakh metric... from... Page 01

Himachal Pradesh, Jammu and Kashmir, Punjab, Uttar Pradesh, and Uttarakhand. The Kharif Marketing Season 2021-22 at MSP commenced recently and has benefited 1 lakh, 71 thousand 919 farmers, with MSP value of over 11 thousand crore rupees.

UIDAI to host Aadhaar... from... Page 01

by the residents while updating their address. The second theme of the Hackathon is around the 'Identity and Authentication' solution offered by UIDAI. Under this theme, UIDAI is soliciting innovative solutions to prove identity without sharing Aadhaar number among demographics information. Also, it is looking for innovative applications around face authentication API - the newly launched authentication modality of UIDAI. The objective is to popularize some of the existing and new APIs to solve the needs of residents. The winners of each theme will be rewarded by UIDAI through prize money and other lucrative benefits. All the young minds are encouraged to form teams and participate in this first ever event being conducted by the Aadhaar team.

Sensex rallies over 500 points to hit new peak, Nifty tops 18,500

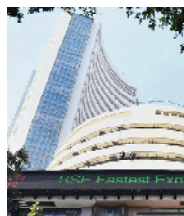
Extending its record-setting streak, equity benchmark Sensex rallied over 500 points in opening trade on Monday on account of widespread buying despite a weak trend in global markets.

After touching an all-time high of 61,894.33 in opening deals, the 30-share Sensex was trading 511.54 points or 0.83 per cent higher at 61,817.49. Similarly, the Nifty surged 157.40 points or 0.86 per cent to 18,495.95. It touched a new intra-day record of 18,521.10 in initial deals.

Infosty was the top gainer in the Sensex pack, rising over 2 per cent, followed by Tata Steel, HDFC Bank, ICICI Bank, Titan and

IndusInd Bank. On the other hand, Asian Paints, Bajaj Auto, Dr Reddy's and HCL Tech were trading with losses in early deals. In the previous session on Thursday, the 30-share index settled 568.90 points or 0.94 per cent higher at 61,305.95, and the Nifty surged 176.80 points or 0.97 per cent to a new lifetime-closing high of 18,338.55.

Foreign institutional investors (FIIs) were net buyers in the capital market, as they purchased shares worth Rs 1,681.60 crore, as per exchange data. Market remained shut on Friday on account of Dussehra. Elsewhere in Asia, bourses in Hong Kong, Shanghai and Tokyo were trading with losses in mid-session deals, while Seoul was positive. Meanwhile, international oil benchmark Brent crude rose 1.07 per cent to \$85.77 per barrel.



WORLD SIGHT DAY SPECIAL: WE NEED TO FOCUS ON OUR CHILDREN'S EYE CARE

Dr. Rishi Raj Borah, Country Director, Orbis India, steers the conversation towards the importance of annual eye checkups this World Sight Day.

It has been estimated that with increasing time indoors and the digital strain we have been subjected to because of the pandemic, the myopia progression is set to increase. The World Report on Vision also states that there are a range of optical, pharmacological, behavioral and surgical interventions to delay the onset or slow down the progression of myopia. But preventive measures cannot be taken for the condition. This is, especially, true for children who have had to switch to online from physical classes and remain in home confinement as against playing outdoors with friends.

How can we ensure we do not

neglect our, our family's and, most importantly, children's eyes? Can we help ourselves and our children just by giving them a healthy and balanced diet as we spend more time indoors? Can we try to cut down on screen time? Yes, we can. As we gradually learn to grapple with the trying times, we learn to adapt, pick up on the issues and solve them one by one. Similarly, as the COVID-19 vaccination drive continues in the country and we inch towards herd immunity, we need to ensure we are doing all we can to protect our eyes just as much as any other organ. The simplest way to do that is annual eye checkup.

The IAPB World Sight Day 2021 theme is so apt, 'Love Your Eyes.' Loving your eyes is not just about going to a doctor when you have an eye problem. Loving your eyes stems from loving yourself-taking care of

yourself, always. So, if you love yourself, you will love every part of you, eyes being a crucial part of you. When it comes to a child, often s/he might not be able to express their difficulty in seeing or understand that they have vision problems. It is upon you, as a parent, to pick up on the discomforts s/he is facing and take him/her to an eye doctor. Now, it is likely you do not know how to pick upon the symptoms, which is why a proactive annual eye test is crucial. If you have access to quality eye care, you have no reason to avoid annual eye checkup for yourself, your child and family. Make it a milestone you can mark this World Sight Day and every year following 2021 to test your myopia progression. Talk about it with friends, encourage them to get their and their children's eyes checked.

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INDIA DURING THE PANDEMIC

Now, think of families who do not have easy access to care in small pockets of India. Being unable to get eye care doesn't just take away sight, it closes doors to school and play, jobs and livelihoods, participation in community life and the ability to thrive. Nonprofits like mine, i.e., Orbis, constantly work with local eye hospitals in these small pockets to ensure families, especially children, do not lose sight for avoidable causes. Take, for instance, the recent case of a 14-year-old girl in East India. During one of our recent eye test visits to Narayanpur village, tucked away in Bihar, we witnessed the inspiring story of Khushi who could not step out of her home to go for an eye test even as we brought the services right at the community's doorstep. Her mother explained to the team, "We cannot step out or meet a doctor without the presence of a male family member, until absolutely necessary". Khushi's father has been living in Delhi for over seven years now, with Khushi and her mother living in the village. Although Khushi's eye problem was identified in the first visit, during the second visit for detailed eye test, Khushi's grandmother refused to allow the examination fearing that if her granddaughter were to wear a pair of glasses, she would not have marriage prospects in the future. So you see, a child's health and well-being depends on her/his parents and guardian like Khushi's grandmother. Of course, upon counselling by Orbis's partner hospital team member at Akhand Jyoti Eye Hospital and backed by Khushi's persuasion, her grandmother was finally convinced.

Khushi wanted a pair of glasses, so she could get back to studies without

worrying about the headache and blurred vision she faced for six months before we reached out to her. The team's efforts to convince Khushi's mother and more importantly her grandmother as worth it. The young teenager got her eyes tested, got a pair of glasses and felt positive about her future. The little girl wanted to break the conventional aspects of a woman's role in society. When she was asked what she wanted to become, she said she was interested to join the police academy. She felt she could grow up to do much more than to manage household chores and take care of kids, once married.

It is interesting how a simple intervention like glasses can have such a great impact on children, don't you think? It is stories like Khushi's that we saw during the pandemic. It inspired us to continue our mission to reach out to more children with all safety measures intact. I cannot thank our partner hospitals enough who are integral to our pediatric eye care goals in the country. I am proud to see the achievements and drive of the local teams to serve the community even amid adversity.

Prioritizing eye care is not an individual but collective effort of the government, organizations like mine, and other stakeholders. The World Report on Vision launched by Vision 2020: India this World Sight Day is timely in that context. It underlines the need for collaborations and encourages us to work further in areas that need focus. One such simple intervention is annual eye checkup. You, as an individual with the beautiful gift of sight, are a key stakeholder and this World Sight Day and every year in the future, you have the power to affect change by prioritizing your and your children's eye health.

Tata Motors launches Punch, price starts at Rs 5.49 lakh



Tata Motors on Monday launched its sub-compact SUV 'Punch' in the country, with price starting at Rs 5.49 lakh (ex-showroom). Designed across Tata Motors' studios in India, the UK and Italy, the model has been developed to herald an entirely new category — the sub-compact SUV — to address a growing customer need for a small-in-size vehicle that is big on space, safety, performance and features.

Built on the company's Agile Light Flexible Architecture (ALFA) architecture, Punch would sit below Nexon in the company's product line-up. It comes with a 1.2-litre petrol engine mated to both manual and automatic transmissions. As per Tata Motors, the manual trims of the model deliver an ARAI-certified fuel efficiency of 18.97 kmpl, while the AMT (automated manual transmission) variants offer 18.82 kmpl to litre.

The model comes with SUV attributes like tall seating, high ground clearance, 370mm wading capability and traction features to aid recovery in off-road situations. It has received 5-star adult safety rating for adult occupant protection in a crash test from Global NCAP, an internationally renowned vehicle safety accreditation group. Five

stars indicate the highest score, while zero starting points to the minimum score during the vehicle crash test. "With Punch, we have created an entirely new category altogether to address a growing need for small-in-size cars with a true SUV character," Tata Motors President, Passenger Vehicles Business Unit (PVB), Shailesh Chandra noted.

The model offers tall stance, high ground clearance and commanding driving position to navigate all the unexpected challenges that Indian roads throw in one's way, he added.

"Even ahead of its launch,

Punch has already got off to a great start by bagging the NCAP 5-star rating for safety. This is a proud moment for us not only as an entity but also as an Indian carmaker as we continue to deliver on our promise of safety with almost every new product in the market," Chandra stated.

Punch is the third car from Tata Motors to receive top crash test rating after Altroz in January 2020 and Nexon in December 2018. Punch has received 16.45 points for adult occupant protection, the highest rating points any vehicle has received in India. The model comes in four grades with customisation packs to match diverse lifestyles. Feature list includes engine drive modes, idle start/stop function, cruise control, push buttons start, 360 litres of boot space, cooled glove box, Haman Infotainment system with Android Auto and Apple Carplay, fully automatic temperature control, auto headlamps and rain-sensing wipers.

Bangladesh Home Minister says communal harmony will be protected in the country at any cost

Amid reports of violence against the minority Hindu community from some places in Bangladesh, Home Minister Asaduzzaman Khan Kamal has assured that communal harmony will be protected in the country at any cost. In an interview to a news agency, he said that investigation is underway and the culprits will not be spared. Speaking about the handling of the situation, the Minister said that hundreds of people have been arrested and four rioters have died in police action. The Home Minister said that these incidents are intended to tarnish the image of the country and the trouble makers will not be allowed to succeed in their mission. He said that Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina has instructed all concerned to provide necessary assistance to the victims. The government of Bangladesh on Monday replaced seven SPs including those of Feni and Rangpur districts. The Deputy Commissioner of Police of Chattogram has also been transferred. Chattogram and Feni had suffered communal violence against the minority Hindu communities during the Durga Puja while Rangpur reported incidents of arson and vandalism on Sunday night. Police have arrested 42 people in Rangpur district in connection with the arson and attack on Hindu on houses and temples on Sunday after an alleged defamatory post on social media. Police used tear gas and rubber bullets to disperse the crowd which had attacked the houses in Boro Karimpur Majhi para village in Pirganj upazila of Rangpur district.

China set to launch 3-member crew to Tiangong Space Station

China's Shenzhou-13 spaceship is expected to be launched into space on a Long March-2F rocket early Saturday morning from the Jiuquan Satellite Launch Center on the edge of the Gobi Desert. The spaceship will be launched at 12:23 am Saturday Beijing Time (9:53 pm Friday Indian Standard Time) from the Jiuquan Satellite Launch Center in north-west China, announced the China Manned Space Agency (CMSA). The spacecraft will carry three People's Liberation Army Astronaut Corps (PLAAC) taikonauts on the second flight to the Tianhe core module, the first module of the Tiangong space station.

The launch time has been set at the time of China's orbiting Tianhe space station module passes over the launch site at Jiuquan. This will help the spacecraft to catch up and dock with Tianhe around eight hours later.

The flight will be China's longest crewed space mission and set a record for the most time spent in space by Chinese astronauts. This will be the second of four crewed missions to the station, which will be completed in 2022.

Russian cosmonaut Valery Polyakov, who lived on Russia's old Mir space station in 1994 and 1995, holds the record for the longest stay in space at more than 14 months. The first Chinese crew who served a 90-day mission aboard the main Tianhe core module of the space station returned in mid-September. Now the new batch of three astronauts is in the final stage of their preparation to live on its space station for six months.

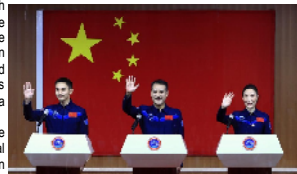
The new crew has two veterans of space travel. Pilot Zhai Zhigang, 55, who performed China's first spacewalk as the commander of the mission. Wang Yaping, 41, and the only woman on the mission carried out experiments and led a science class in real-time while traveling on the Shenzhou-10 mission in 2013. Ye Guangfu, 41, will be traveling into space for the first time. The three later spoke to reporters through a glass barrier at the Jiuquan base, with Zhai saying the length of the mission would be a challenge, but one he was confident they were prepared to meet. "After almost two years of training (together), our crew members now know each other well and have a tacit understanding. I believe

that with the power and wisdom of our team, (we) will definitely resolve all difficulties," Zhai said.

The mission is expected to continue the work of the initial crew, who conducted two spacewalks, deployed a 10-meter (33-foot) mechanical arm, and held a video call with Chinese leader Xi Jinping. China Manned Space Agency Deputy Director Lin Xiqiang said the rocket was as leaped and ready to fly. "All systems conducting the Shenzhou-13 mission have undergone a comprehensive rehearsal. The flight crew is in good condition and our pre-launch preparations are in order," Lin said at a Thursday briefing. China's military, which runs the space program, has released few details but says it will send multiple crews to the station over the next two years to make it fully functional. Shenzhou-13 will be the fifth mission, including trips without crews to deliver supplies. When completed with the addition of two more modules — named Mengtian and Wentian — the station will weigh about 66 tons, a fraction of the size of the International Space Station, which launched its first module in 1998 and will weigh around 450 tons when

completed. Lin said the two additional modules would be sent before the end of next year during the stay of the yet-to-be-named Shenzhou-14 crew. China was excluded from the International Space Station largely due to U.S. objections over the Chinese program's secretive nature and close military ties. It made plans to build its own space station in the early 1990s and had two experimental modules before starting on the permanent station. US law requires congressional approval for the contact between the American and Chinese space programs, but China is cooperating with space experts from countries including France, Sweden, Russia, and Italy. Lin said China was expanding such cooperation, with Ye Guangfu having undergone training with the European Space Agency in 2016, and European astronauts participating in China's sea survival training in 2017.

"Look forward to the day when international colleagues can travel in



Men's Open Football tournament-cum-selection trial from Oct 20

Port Blair, Oct 17: The Andaman and Nicobar Football Association will organize a Men's Open Football Tournament-cum-Selection trials for League-cum-Knockout Tournament from 20th October 2021 till second week of November 2021 at JNM/Netaji Stadium for participation in the forthcoming National Competition (Santosh Trophy) 2021/22 in association with Andaman and Nicobar State Sports Council & Department of Sports and Youth Affairs, A&N Administration, Port Blair. Interested Departments/School/College/Clubs can register/enroll their names. For registration and further details please contact: 9631916337 / 9434281791 / 9434286633. Last Date for submission of details will be 18.10.2021. Fixture will be drawn Dev Mahal, Prem Nagar on the same day 06.00 P.M. The Entry Form is available in Hotel Dayn Sagar, Prothapur, Salah Emporium, Wimberly Gunj, Aboo Pan Shop, School Line Entry Fees Rs. 3000/- (Rupees Three Thousand only).

PRESS NOTE

This is to inform to the passengers/general public that, this Directorate in consultation with District Administration has scheduled MV Coral Queen to SwarajDweep from 21st October to 27th October, 2021.

The detailed schedule is as under:

Sl. No.	Name of the vessel	Departure Date & Time	Departure from	Destination Port	Remarks
1.	MV Coral Queen	21.10.2021 to 27.10.2021 at 0700 Hrs	Haddo Wharf	Swaraj Dweep	Return voyage from SwarajDweep to Port Blair at 1500 Hrs.

Similarly, this Directorate has scheduled Speed Boat to sail for Shaheed Dweep from 21st October to 27th October, 2021.

Sl. No.	Name of the vessel	Departure Date & Time	Departure from	Destination Port	Remarks
1.	Speed Boat	21.10.2021 to 27.10.2021 at 0700 Hrs	Phoenix Bay Jetty	Shaheed Dweep	Return voyage from Shaheed Dweep to Port Blair at 1245 Hrs.

Advance ticketing will be done one day prior to the scheduled departure of the vessels to SwarajDweep and ShaheedDweep. Passenger tickets will be issued at STARS Ticketing Counter, Phoenix Bay between 0900 Hrs to 1400 Hrs by following latest COVID 19 SOP in effect. On the day of sailing passenger should report at Harbour 02 hours prior departure, as the port gate will be closed half an hour before scheduled departure.

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NOTICE INVITING e-TENDERS

No. PN/DB/CD-1/RGT/2021-22/3564 dated 13th October 2021

The Executive Engineer, Construction Division-I, A.P.W.D., Rangat on behalf of President of India invites online Item rate bid from approved and bonafide manufacturer/authorized dealer/Supplier or experience on executing the relevant magnitude of work as per CPWD works manual for below mentioned work:-

NIT No. 23/DB/E&M/CD-1/RGT/2021-22-e-Tender ID No. 2021_APWD_4081_1 Name of work. Running and maintenance of Diesel Engine water pumps at Baratang for the period from July 2021 to September 2021 in lieu of "Construction of approach from Parnasala at MP bridge to proposed Dam site at Rangat river at Parnasala" SW- Supplying, installation, testing and commissioning of 01 No. 79 HP 6R 1080 Kilooskar Diesel Engine designed to run at 1500 RPM at Shankar Nallah Pump house, Adazing, Baratang. **Estimated Cost: Rs. 8,40,754/- Tender Fee Rs. 500/- & Time of completion: 45 Days, Last Date of Submission of bid 28.10.2021 at 3.00 PM.**

The bid forms and other details can be obtained from the website eprocure.andaman.gov.in

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Executive Engineer

CD-1, APWD, Rangat

India Post Office Recruitment 2021, Apply for 266 GDS Vacancies @ indiapost.gov.in

India Post Office Recruitment 2021 | GDS Vacancy | Total Vacancies 266 | Last Date: 29.10.2021 | India Postal Circle Recruitment Apply online @ www.indiapost.gov.in

India Post Office Recruitment 2021: Applications are invited via online mode by the respective recruiting authorities from eligible candidates for the selection and engagement to the following posts of Gramin Dak Sevaks. India Post is going to fill up 266 vacancies in Jammu & Kashmir. It has recently published the recruitment notification for 266 vacancies and these vacancies are assigned for GDS Vacancy. India Post Office invites online application from 10th passed candidates to fill up India Postal Vacancy 2021. Applicants who are looking for 10th Std Jobs in central govt can make the India Post online registration from 30.09.2021 to 29.10.2021. India Postal Circle recruitment notification pdf & apply online link is available @ www.indiapost.gov.in.

Candidates can submit India Post Recruitment Application from 30.09.2021. Applicants should pass 10th Std and age limit should be 18 to 40 years. Contenders have to pay required fee and make the payment via either online or offline. India Post Office will recruit the aspirants on Academic Background/ Interview/ Written Test/ Merit. Shortlisted candidates will be appointed in Jammu & Kashmir. Incomplete application & application after the due date will be rejected. More details of Post Office Jobs in Jammu & Kashmir, upcoming JK Postal jobs notices, merit list, selection list, admit card, result, upcoming India Post notifications and etc. will be uploaded on official website.

India Post is a government of India agency, executing postal services in India. It has been functioning since 1854. Headquarter is located in Sansad Marg, New Delhi until now. They provide services such as letter post, parcel services, EMS, delivery, freight forwarding, third-party logistics and also deposit account. Presently, there are 22 postal circles in India and it has more than 4 lakhs employees are working in this department. Postal Circles are J&K Postal Circle, Punjab Postal Circle, Uttarakhnad Postal Circle, West Bengal Postal Circle, North Eastern Postal Circle and Kerala Postal Circle.

Here you will get details of Branch Postmaster (BPM), Assistant Branch Postmaster (ABPM) and Dak Sevaks posts like educational qualification, age limit, application mode, fee and how to apply. Keep check Daily Recruitment regularly to get latest government exams.

South Western Railway Recruitment 2021, 904 Apprentice Vacancies, Apply Online @ www.swr.indianrailways.gov.in

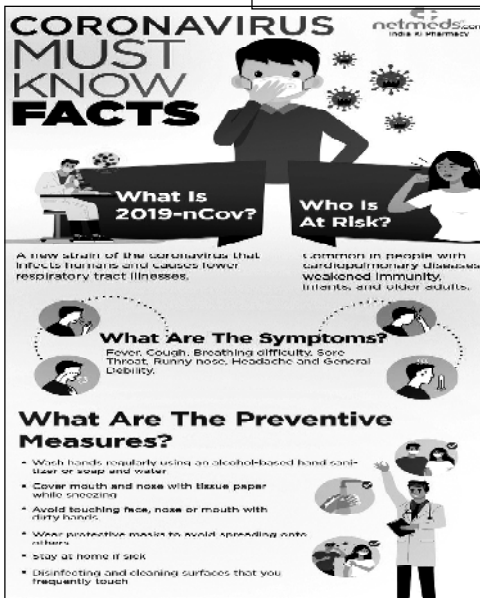
South Western Railway Recruitment 2021 | Apprentice | 904 Vacancies | Last Date: 03.11.2021 | RRC Hubli Job Notification @ www.swr.indianrailways.gov.in

South Western Railway Recruitment 2021: South Western Railway - Railway Recruitment Cell, Hubli has released the notification for engagement of Apprentices for the year 2021-2022. SWR invites application to fill up 904 vacancies under the Apprentices Act, 1961. Candidates who are searching for Railway job may apply for this SWR Apprentice vacancy. Applicants are instructed to apply via online from 04.10.2021 @ www.rchubli.in. They will hire candidates on basis of merit list for apprenticeship training. Deadline to make a registration for this RRC SWR Apprentice recruitment 2021 is 03.11.2021.

Candidates who had passed Class 10th are eligible to apply for this South Western Railway Hubli recruitment. Diploma/ Engineering degree holders are not capable to apply for this SWR Apprentice jobs. Aspirants must bring a valid email id, mobile number, aadhar account & self bank account at time of online application process & keep it active throughout the recruitment process. Training will be provided at Divisions/ Workshops/ Units of South Western Railway. More details of South Western railway jobs, admit card, merit list, upcoming RRC Hubli vacancies & results will be uploaded at official website.

Visit official website to get more career opportunity @ RRC SWR. Educational qualification, age limit, selection process, apply mode, fee details & steps to apply are provided above. For latest updates, visit www.dailyrecruitment.in.

CORONAVIRUS MUST KNOW FACTS



What Is 2019-nCoV?
A new strain of the coronavirus that infects humans and causes lower respiratory tract illnesses.

Who Is At Risk?
Common in people with underlying respiratory illnesses, weakened immunity, infants, and older adults.

What Are The Symptoms?
Fever, Cough, Breathing difficulty, Sore Throat, Runny nose, Headache and General Fatigue.

What Are The Preventive Measures?

- Wash hands regularly using an alcohol-based hand sanitizer or soap and water.
- Cover mouth and nose with tissue paper while sneezing.
- Avoid touching face, nose or mouth with dirty hands.
- Wear protective masks to avoid spreading into others.
- Stay at home if sick.
- Disinfecting and cleaning surfaces that you frequently touch.

ESIC Recruitment 2021, Walk-in for Tutor Vacancies @ esic.nic.in

ESIC Recruitment 2021 | Tutor | 21 Vacancies | Walk-In Interview Date: 21.10.2021 to 22.10.2021 | ESIC Job Notification @ esic.nic.in

ESIC Recruitment 2021: Employee State Insurance Corporation (ESIC) invites application for the post of Tutor posts. As per ESIC recruitment 2021 notification, totally 21 vacancies are announced as vacant. Candidates who are searching for Central Government jobs can use this opportunity to join in ESIC jobs. They will conduct the written test & walk-in interview to fill up these advertised vacancies. Candidates should read the notification to check the terms & conditions. Walk-in interview will be conducted on 21.10.2021 to 22.10.2021. ESIC recruitment 2021 notification & application form are active @ www.esic.nic.in.

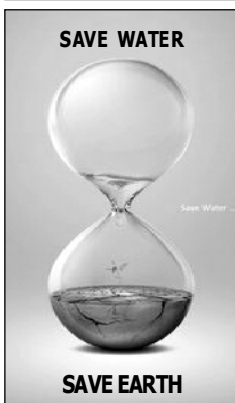
ESIC is going to hire candidates on contract basis. Applicants should hold BDS degree from recognized university. ESIC recruitment 2021 notification has been released on 29.09.2021. Tenure is 1 year. Candidates are instructed to fill the application form carefully. Incomplete application will be rejected. Aspirants must pay a fee through prescribed mode. No TA/DA will be paid to attend the interview or joining. Candidates may appear for more than one post. More details of ESIC recruitment like selection list, merit list, results & upcoming job notices will be uploaded at official website.

ESIC Recruitment 2021 | Senior Resident, Assistant Professor & Other Posts | 82 Vacancies | Last Date: 26.09.2021 | ESIC Alw Recruitment Notification @ www.esic.nic.in

ESIC Recruitment 2021: Employee State Insurance Corporation has initiated the recruitment process for the following post such as Professor, Assistant Professor, Associate Professor & Senior Resident. As per ESIC recruitment 2021 notification (Advertisement No. 09/2021), there are 82 vacancies will be filled on contract basis. Applicants who willing to work under Central Government may use this chance to join in ESIC vacancy 2021. Candidates need to submit the filled form via email (dean-alw.ar.rj@esic.in) on or before 26.09.2021. Interview will be conducted on 28.09.2021.

Applicants who had completed MBBS/ PG Degree/ PG Diploma are eligible to apply for this ESIC Alw recruitment 2021. Candidates should submit the filled application form along with following supporting documents like age proof, educational qualification, experience certificates, etc. ESIC recruitment 2021 notification & application form are available from 21.09.2021 @ www.esic.nic.in. Applicants must have registered their qualification in MCI/ State Medical Council. More details of ESIC Hospital recruitment, selection list, results, merit list & upcoming ESIC notification will be uploaded at official website.

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MIX-AND-MATCH VACCINES HIGHLY EFFECTIVE AGAINST COVID-19: LANCET STUDY

People who received a first dose of the Oxford-AstraZeneca COVID-19 vaccine followed by an mRNA vaccine shot had a lower risk of infection compared to those immunised with both doses of the AstraZeneca preventive, according to a nationwide study in Sweden.

Since the use of AstraZeneca's vector-based vaccine against COVID-19 was halted for people younger than 65 years of age due to safety concerns, all individuals in Sweden who had already received their first dose of this vaccine were recommended an mRNA vaccine as their second dose.

"Having received any of the approved vaccines is better compared to no vaccine, and two doses are better than one," said Peter Nordstrom, a professor at Umea University, Sweden.

"However, our study shows a greater risk reduction for people who received an mRNA vaccine after having received a first dose of a vector-based, as compared to people having received the vector-based vaccine for both doses," Nordstrom said.

The study, published in The Lancet Regional Health - Europe journal on Monday, is based on nationwide registry data from the Public Health Agency of Sweden, the National Board of Health and Welfare, and Statistics Sweden.

In the main analysis, about 700,000 individuals were included. During a 2.5-month average follow-up period after the second dose, the study showed a 67 per cent lower risk of infection for the combination of AstraZeneca and Pfizer vaccine shots.

There was a 79 per cent lower risk of infection for AstraZeneca and Moderna vaccine shots, compared to unvaccinated

variant, which was dominating the confirmed cases during the follow-up period.

"The results of the study may have implications for vaccination strategies in different countries," said Marcel Ballin, doctoral student at Umea University, and co-author of the study.

"The World Health Organization has stated that despite the promising results from previous studies regarding immune response from mix-and-match vaccination, there is a need for larger studies to investigate their safety and effectiveness against clinical outcomes. Here we now have one such study," Ballin said. There was a very low incidence of adverse thromboembolic events, or formation of blood clots in blood vessels, for all vaccine schedules, according to the researchers.

The number of COVID-19 cases severe enough to result in inpatient hospitalisation was too low for the researchers to be able to calculate the effectiveness against this outcome.

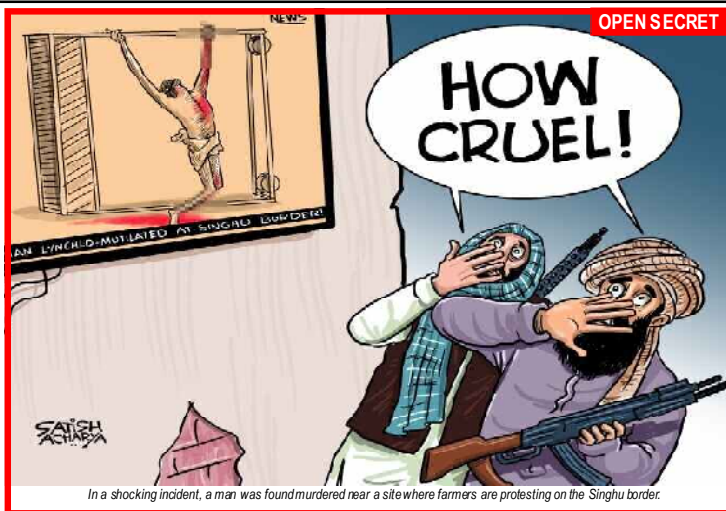
Past studies have demonstrated that mix-and-match vaccine schedules generate a robust immune response.

However, it has been unclear to which extent these schedules may reduce the risk of clinical infection, the researchers said, adding that their study aimed to fill that knowledge gap.



individuals, the researchers said.

For people having received two doses of the AstraZeneca vaccine, known as Covishield in India, the risk reduction was 50, they said. These risk estimates were observed after accounting for differences regarding date of vaccination, age of the participants, socioeconomic status, and other risk factors for COVID-19. The researchers noted that the study estimates of effectiveness apply to infection with the Delta



In a shocking incident, a man was found murdered near a site where farmers are protesting on the Singhu border.

Wrestler Vinesh Phogat meets PM

NEW DELHI: Indian wrestler Vinesh Phogat, who recently underwent an elbow surgery, on Monday met Prime Minister Narendra Modi along with her family. The 27-year-old had made a shock first-round exit from the Tokyo Olympics. She entered the Games as one of India's strongest medal contenders. The former world championship bronze medalist was part of meetings that Modi had with Tokyo Games athletes both before and after the Olympics and got a pep talk from him.

"Great meeting the honourable @narendramodi sir today. His enthusiasm and love for sport is truly boundless. Genuinely touched by your concern for athletes. A big thank you sir for sparing time from your busy schedule to fulfill your



promise of interacting with me and my family," Vinesh tweeted. In a photograph posted on

Twitter, Vinesh was seen along with her mother and brother with the Prime Minister. Vinesh had left the

recent World Championship trials mid-way, complaining of weakness.

Mary Kom to skip National Women's Boxing Championships

NEW DELHI: Six-time world champion MC Mary Kom will not compete in the upcoming National Women's Boxing Championships in

Hisar. The 38-year-old, who reached the pre-quarters of Tokyo Olympics before bowing out with a hard-fought loss, is, however, training for the world championships in December.



Even though the Boxing Federation of India (BFI) has announced that only gold medal winners from the Nationals will make the squad, it is reliably learnt that trials could be held in a couple of weight categories,

including the 48kg division, which Mary Kom would prefer to compete in. The national championships will be held in Hisar from October 21.

Olympic bronze medalist Lovlina Borgohain (69kg) has been given direct selection for the world event based on her Tokyo performance. She will also be skipping the domestic showpiece. Mary Kom, a multiple-time Asian gold medalist, has not competed since the Tokyo Games and a federation source said she would have given the Nationals a shot if the announcement on world championship selection had come sooner.

The BFI's decision of skipping only national gold winners for the world championships was announced on October 5. "She would have competed had she known about this earlier. She would have prepared accordingly," the federation said. The other two Tokyo Olympians, Simranjeet Kaur (60kg) and Pooja Rani (75kg), will be competing at the nationals.

The women's boxing world championships will be held in Istanbul in early December and will offer a total prize money of \$2.6 million, same amount as marked for the men's event, due to start on October 24 in Belgrade, Serbia.

Second edition of Naval Commanders' Conference of 2021 commenced in N/Delhi

The second edition of the Naval Commanders' Conference of 2021 commenced in New Delhi today. Defence Minister Rajnath Singh addressed the Naval Commanders during the inaugural session and interacted with them on matters relating to national security. The conference was attended by all Operational and Area Commanders of the Indian Navy to review major operational, materiel, logistics, Human Resource Development, training, and administrative activities.

Mr Singh said, the geographical location of India is unique in many ways and it is very important from the point of view of strategy, trade and resources. He stated that as a responsible maritime stakeholder India supports consensus-based principles and a peaceful, open, rule-based and stable world order and envisions the Indian Ocean Region with the universal values of rule-based freedom of navigation and free trade in which the interests of all participating countries are protected.

The Minister expressed happiness that Navy has already been ahead in the field of self-reliance, indigenisation in shipbuilding, and manufacturing of submarines. He said in the last five financial years, more than two-thirds of the Navy's Modernisation Budget has been spent on indigenous procurement.

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T20 World Cup: Under ICC's international commitments you can't refuse to play Pakistan, says Rajeev Shukla

NEW DELHI: The Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) vice president Rajeev Shukla on Monday said India will have to play arch-rivals Pakistan in the T20 World Cup as no team can refuse to play another side in a tournament organised by International Cricket Council (ICC).

There were talks that the BCCI and the government should reconsider playing Pakistan in the ICC men's T20 World Cup as in the past few days, Jammu and Kashmir witnessed a spate of targeted killings of civilians especially non-locals. Shukla said while strict action should be taken against terror organisations, the match against Pakistan has to be played as it is an ICC tournament. "We strongly condemn killings in (Jammu and Kashmir). Strict action should be taken against terror organisations. As far as the



match (T20 WC IND vs PAK) is concerned, under ICC's international commitments you can't refuse to play against any one. You've to play with teams in ICC tournaments," Rajeev Shukla, who is also the Congress leader, told ANI. Meanwhile, the much-awaited high-octane clash between India and Pakistan in the upcoming T20 World Cup will take place on October 24 in Dubai. In Group 2, India will then face New Zealand and Afghanistan, the emerging force in T20 cricket, plus the winners of Group B and runners-up from Group A.