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Archive-Nirbhar India

Insofar as record-keeping is central to modern nation-building, revelations about the poor state of the National Archives of India are quite concerning. NAI is the central repository of government's non-classified records but it is riddled with big gaps, including in seminal national events such as the 1962, 1965 and 1971 wars and the Green Revolution. Repeated requests to different ministries to transfer non-current files to NAI have fallen on deaf ears. Historian T Raychaudhuri had underlined six decades ago that NAI's public records can facilitate smooth working of the country's administration in the same way as memory oils man's day-to-day life. But an institutional culture of secrecy has put paid to this potential.

India is a far cry from the US where records are automatically declassified after 25 years. NAI is not even seeking timely declassification. Its problem is that the defence ministry has not shared any files since 1960, while multiple other departments including agriculture, rural development, and food and consumer affairs have not shared anything ever. The NAI director general has correctly said that what is at stake is nothing less than "losing a large part of our history since Independence".

The British Library is a much smarter resource to study colonial India, but we should at least have atmanirbharta in the postcolonial period. This is not of concern for historians alone. NAI provided invaluable information for the building of the Central Vista. Its cartographic treasures can be similarly useful in foreign policy. A look at older government orders can help improve the newer ones. The beginning has to be a clear directive to all ministries to share files with NAI. State-level archives have to be likewise strengthened. However, archive administrators must also step up strongly. The invitation to reading rooms and online curated tours on the UK's National Archives home page itself is indicative of its energetic citizen outreach. In India both the moth-balled and bhadralok stereotypes of libraries need to be corrected. Because only a public that feels invested in record-keeping puts pressure on government to improve it.

Local artists...

Cultural Organizations should prepare a minimum of three or more number of programmes so that the Programme Selection Committee can have different options for selection. The prescribed format can be collected from the Directorate of

Art & Culture at Cellular Jail Complex, Port Blair. Application format can also be downloaded from www.andaman.gov.in. The last date for submission of application in the prescribed form is 5th January, 2023. (Source: IP Division)

Need for guarding...

maintenance of planted saplings, almost all the new plantations done in the Ward No-8 have been appropriately guarded and due care is being taken for their maintenance/

care. The holistic approach in plantations and their maintenance have added to the green cover in ward No-8. Such measures need to be followed in all plantations.

Medal winners of National...

Collingwood along with their coach S. Sen Gupta who have reached Port Blair after the event were felicitated and honored with a shawl by the sports lovers. Rest of the team is yet to arrive at Port Blair. Islands participating team in the

championship secured Eight medals including 3 Gold, 3 Silver and 2 Bronze medals. Main achievers of the Championship from islands were Esow Alban 3 gold, David Beekharon with 1 gold and 2 Silver medal and Paul Collingwood with 1 Gold.

Bairagi urges CS...

Home Town at Andhra Pradesh to celebrate the Telugu New Year. Keeping in view of the sentiments expressed by the Telugu Community. He

requested the CS that a special sailing may kindly be arranged in the first week of January 2023. So that they can go and enjoy their festival.

Dental checkup camp...

oral hygiene. The team of dentists led by Dr. Sharmila Patil and Dr. Diksha examined the children, apprised them of their dental problems, and gave relevant solutions. During the examination, fifteen children were found to be in need of advanced treatment which will be provided free of cost at Dr Arora Dental Clinic under the

supervision of the doctors. This program is an ongoing Endeavour to improve oral hygiene and help raise awareness about the importance of oral health with the objective to reach out to the underprivileged and underserved sections of the society. - Source : PKS

ATS Kick-starts ...

college children. They will be conducted in the run up to the main Pongal Festival on 15th January 2022 and winners of the competitions will be felicitated on that day.

Firing practice

Port Blair, Dec 28: Firing practice by Indian Army will be carried out at Nariyal Bageecha, Brighgunj on Dec. 30 & 31, 2022 from 3 pm to 5 pm. Safe flying height is above 300 mtr AMSL. All concerned have been warned to keep themselves and their vessels/fishing boat away from the firing range during the above mentioned date and time. (Source: IP Division)

Free Ayurveda health camp

Port Blair, Dec 28: A team of Doctors (Ayurveda) and Para Medical Staff of Regional Ayurveda Research Institute (RAR), a unit of CCRAS under Ministry of AYUSH, Port Blair will be conduct free Ayurveda Health Camp and Survey at Chukchucha village of Car Nicobar Island from Dec. 28, 2022 to Jan. 11, 2023. (Source: IP Division)

20 YEARS OF MUKESH AMBANI: HOW THE INDUSTRIALIST FARED AT TOP OF RELIANCE

Mukesh Ambani, who took over the reins of Reliance Industries Ltd (RIL) after the sudden demise of his legendary industrialist father Dhirubhai Ambani, completes 20 years at the helm during which the company saw a 17-fold jump in revenues, 20-times surge in profit and has become a global conglomerate.

Following Dhirubhai's death in 2002, Mukesh and his younger brother Anil assumed joint leadership of Reliance. While the elder brother took over as the chairman and managing director, Anil was named vice chairman and joint managing director. The brothers, however, feuded over control, leading to a split with Mukesh assuming control of the gas, oil, and petrochemicals units as RIL, while Anil got telecommunications, power generation, and financial services units through a demerger.

In 20 years that Stanford University-drop out Mukesh, 65, has been at the helm of RIL, the company has re-entered the telecom business, diversified in retail and new energy, and raised a record Rs 2.5 lakh crore selling minority interests during the Covid lockdown.

Here is his journey in numbers at the helm of RIL: * Market capitalization grew at an annualized rate of 20.6 per cent in the last 20 years from Rs 41,989 crore in March 2002, to Rs 17,81,841 crore in March 2022.

* Revenues grew at an annualized rate of 15.4 per cent from Rs 45,411 crore in FY 2001-02, to Rs 792,756 crore in FY 2021-22.

* Net profit grew at an annualized rate of 16.3 per cent from Rs 3,280 crore in FY 2001-02, to Rs 67,845 crore in FY 2021-22.

* Exports grew at an annualized rate of 16.9 per cent from Rs 11,200 crore in FY 2001-02, to Rs 254,970 crore in FY 2021-22.

* Total assets grew at an annualized rate of 18.7 per cent from Rs 48,987 crore in March 2002, to Rs 14,99,665 crore in March 2022.

* Net worth grew at an annualized rate of 17 per cent from Rs 27,977 crore in March 2002, to Rs 645,127 crore in March 2022.

* RIL added Rs 17.4 lakh crore to investor wealth during these two decades, which is an average of Rs 87,000 crore every year.

According to Motilal Oswal's 26th annual wealth creation study, the company has emerged as the largest wealth creator, over 2016-21, creating wealth to the tune of nearly Rs 10 lakh crore and breaking its own previous record.

Diversification Reliance started several new businesses in these two decades - telecom arm Jio started operations in 2016, retail in 2006, and new energy in 2021.

From a single oil refinery in 2002, Jamnagar is now the world's largest single-location refining complex. During this period, RIL doubled oil refining capacity, adding the unique capability to convert the worst of crude oils into the best of

exportable fuels. It also added some of the world's largest downstream units.

Its traditional business of petrochemicals too flourished and expanded many-fold in the last two decades.

Reliance's oil and gas exploration (E&P) business made the first hydrocarbon discovery in late 2002 and production started in 2009. The firm got UK's bp plc as an investor in the E&P business in 2011 and in recent months, it brought to production the second set of discoveries.

RIL brought bp, one of the global petroleum industry leaders, as a partner in its Indian fuel retailing business. Reliance Mobility Solutions has brought the latest technology and offerings for consumers at petro-retail outlets through the Jio-bp brand. It aims to offer a new experience in buying fuel with high-quality service



and making the retail outlets future-ready with charging and battery swap facilities.

Reliance set the foundation for New Energy Business committing over Rs 75,000 crore investment in three years to set up five uniquely integrated Giga Factories at Jamnagar with the world's latest technology. This will have a first-of-its-kind 'quartz-to-module' solar panel facility. The ultimate aim is to emerge world's lowest-cost producer of solar energy and green hydrogen.

Reliance has set a target to become Net Carbon Neutral by 2035, contributing to India's net carbon zero mission. It will start 10GW of solar PV cell and module factory by 2024, to be scaled up to 20GW by 2026. By 2025, RIL plans to generate its entire round-the-clock (RTC) power and intermittent energy for Green Hydrogen from captive solar power plants.

Fundraising

Reliance set a record for capital fundraising in FY21. It raised more than Rs 2.5 lakh crore through a rights issue and minority stake sales in Jio Platforms and Reliance Retail Ventures to global marquee investors such as Facebook and Google. During FY2021, Reliance was the single-largest foreign direct investment (FDI) generator for India.

After the launch of Jio,

India became the data capital of the world and the cost of data/GB fell from Rs 500 to Rs 12. India's ranking in Broadband data consumption moved from 150 in 2016 to No.1 in 2018 thanks to Jio.

Born in Aden, Yemen, where his father worked as a gas station attendant, Mukesh Ambani earned his bachelor's degree in chemical engineering from the University of Bombay (now the University of Mumbai) and subsequently pursued a master's degree in business administration from Stanford University.

He, however, left the program in 1981 to join the family business, where he worked to diversify the company, foraying into communications, infrastructure, petrochemicals, petroleum refining, polyester fibres, and oil and gas production.

In 2007, he became India's first rupee trillionaire. He, however, has lost the richest Indian tag to a fellow Gujarati businessman, Gautam Adani in recent months.

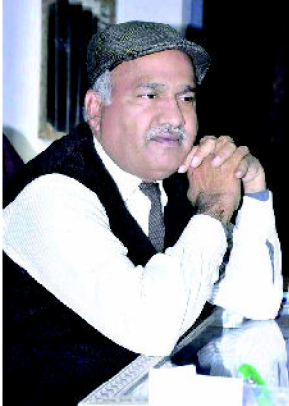
Reliance Foundation, backed by Reliance Industries, came up in 2010 to spearhead the company's philanthropic initiatives under the leadership of his wife Nita. It works in the areas of rural empowerment, nutrition security, ecological conservation, education, and sports.

Reliance Foundation is India's biggest corporate social responsibility initiative by reach, as well as by spend. - Source : Theweeek

Childhood Kite

By-Vijay Garg

During the school days, when the season of kites came and we children were sitting in the classroom, then the mind used to fly slowly towards the roof of the house tied in the string of thoughts. The last class of the day seemed excessively long for all the children. All the time everyone's attention would be focused on when the last bell would ring and when we would get to go home and fly kites. In those days, after reaching home, the children neither had to worry about doing the homework they got from the school, nor did they have to bother about going for tuitions. All the attention from the teacher's teaching Unaware, he would have been busy preparing to fly the kite. The fickle mind used to get wrapped up in the pulley of dreams like a string. As the children grew up, it was not known when and how the kites left their hands along with the string and went far away. When they got tied up in the affair of flying the kite of life high, then they got entangled in arranging pulley and string and fighting new problems every day. Once the thread wrapped in the pulley of life started getting tangled, then it kept getting tangled. Children survive even in strong and adverse winds. Mr. Kite was engaged in every possible effort to fly high. When the wind was favourable, the kite would remain straight but when the wind was opposite, it would go haywire. Had the speed of the wind been slow, the kite would not have taken the name of flying even after trying a million times. She used to fall on the ground again and again. When the kite started flying a little higher in life, then the



child holding the pulley keeps staring at it. At the same time, he used to handle their scattered thread and keep wrapping it in the pulley. In the open time of such childhood, children used to learn the art of making kites, preparing and flying kites with their own hands, which would help them in life. Used to teach to be quite self-sufficient. The art of kite twisting learned in childhood would also be of great use to us throughout our life. Often in life, kites seem to be sitting down after diving, but with the courage gained with the help of that art, they rise up again. In this era of rising climate temperature, reverse wind blowing and sudden deterioration of the flying kite is a common phenomenon. The art learned in childhood of flying a kite in the opposite wind is also very useful. Due to the strict discipline of the father, many children learned the art of fobbing off other's cut kites by sticking them in the net. Must have been deprived of it. Now they must be thinking that whatever happened was so good. The practice of sticking a torn kite with 'lei' or glue to make it fly again also teaches children to appreciate the things in life. If the string gets tangled in childhood, then any child's face would be sad. But then, while flying the kite, I did not have the patience to untangle the tangled string, I don't know when and how he would have taught me the string of the same kite, I was not even aware. Even now as soon as the season of kites comes, it can be seen that by remembering the days of childhood, kites in the minds of the elders. Don't know where it flies tied to the string of thoughts.

Congress alleges security breach at Bharat Jodo Yatra

Congress, on Wednesday, wrote to the Centre seeking proper protection for Rahul Gandhi. The letter to Union Home Minister Amit Shah mentioned there had been multiple breaches in the security of the Bharat Jodo Yatra.

The letter written by Congress leader KC Venugopal mentioned that the Yatra's security had been compromised several times since it entered

Delhi on December 24. The letter alleged that the Delhi Police failed to maintain a perimeter around Gandhi and that they weren't able to manage the surging crowd in the capital. Delhi Police comes under the Union Home Ministry.

"The situation was so severe that Congress workers and the Bharat Yatrais walking along with Rahul Gandhi had to form a perimeter," the letter mentioned. Last week, when the march

entered Delhi, the Congress scion was joined by his mother Sonia Gandhi and sister Priyanka Gandhi Vadra. "I request you to take immediate steps to ensure the safety and security of Rahul Gandhi, a Z+ protectee," the Congress general secretary wrote to Amit Shah. Two of the party's prime ministers - Indira Gandhi and Rajiv Gandhi - sacrificed their lives for the unity and integrity of the country, the letter mentioned.

Basketball court at...

impression in National and International arena despite having limited sports facilities available in these islands in terms of infrastructure and skilled manpower. Good infrastructure for sports is required to be created for our younger generation so that they get the opportunity to play as per their desire and ability. It is also observed that in present days youths and students are more inclined towards electronics gadgets and smart devices. It has

also been seen that many social evils are attracting our younger generation. It is our responsibility as policy makers to put our thought together and draw a concrete roadmap for the younger generations," said a senior sportsperson stating of his dream to see all youth of these islands excel in sports activities.

Expressing his disappointment over the poor sports infrastructure in the islands, the former Chairperson, PBMC,

Ex-Chairperson RSC Mr. K. Ganeshan said that during his tenure as Chairperson, he took up the matter with the former Lt Governor. Accordingly, a modern Basketball court was constructed. Players are now practicing the sports in this damage court. Due to lack of maintenance of the court, the court has been broken and rendered unplayable. Constructed at a cost of Rs 32 lakhs, the sports facilities need urgent repair and maintenance work.

Special lecture by...

profession and emphasized on the crucial factors which determine success in the legal field. He further advised the students to carry out self-inspection in order to acquire clarity about their future aspirations. The interactive session was followed by a Q & A round in which ALC students actively participated. The Ex-Vice Chairman, BCI presented a biographical coffee table book titled "Narendra Modi- Harbinger

of Prosperity & Apostle of World Peace" co-authored by him and also offered the distinguished membership of International Council of Jurists, London to all the faculty members and to two final year students of ALC, namely Ms. Seema Kumari and Mr. U Parthasarathi who hosted the event. Earlier on the occasion, Shri Prashant Bhadu, Principal (i/c), Andaman Law College formally welcomed Dr. Aggarwala along with more than

150 students, alumni & the staff of ALC and extended his deep gratitude to the Senior Advocate for gracing the occasion with his presence. In his concluding remarks Shri Saurabh Dudi, Assistant Professor (Law), Andaman Law College thanked the Special Guest for taking out time from his busy schedule and motivating the ALC students which will surely benefit them in a longer run. - Source : ALC

Rozgar Mela organised...

possibilities with various organizations. A number of self-employment generation programs have been introduced by the government for the benefit of young and unemployed youth and we advise them to avail the benefit of the same. The main objective of the Rozgar mela is to provide a platform between the self-employment implementing Departments, private employers, and job seekers to set up their livelihood venture duly availing benefits of Govt. sponsored schemes or placement in the private sector she added. During the programme, information

kiosks separately for each participating Department/Agency provided information to the interested beneficiaries on the formalities/ procedure for application submission and benefits of the various schemes being implemented by the respective Departments. Apart from Andaman Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Port Blair, Department of Fisheries, Agriculture, Veterinary, NYK, Rural development, Canara Bank, A&N State Cooperative Bank Ltd, Munjoh Island Resort, Prince Group participated in this Rozgar Mela. A large number of Youth

registered with ACCI for this one-day employment fair for free. In turn, ACCI will contact the registered youth according to the demand of the job scope. The Employment Exchange organized a placement drive for job seekers in the private sector firms on the spot. A large number of Unemployed youth attended the programme and made optimum utilization of the services being provided by the Govt. Departments. Altogether 350 youths participated and benefited from this program. Shortlisted candidates will be called for the next round. (Reporter: DJ Venkatesh)

5 days pre-jamboree residents camp

Port Blair, Dec 28 : A five days Pre-Jamboree Residential Camp was organized by Bharat Scouts and Guides Unit of the Department of Education, A&N Administration at GSS Junglighat from Dec. 22 to 26, 2022 in which 64 Scouts and Guides students and 12 Teachers participated. They will also attend National Level Jamboree to be held at Pali, Jodhpur, Rajasthan from Jan. 4 to 10, 2023. The grand campfire and closing ceremony of the Residential Camp was held Monday. Shri Aditya Kumar Jha, Director (Education) graced the occasion as the chief guest. Senior Officers of the Department of Education also attended the campfire. The Director (Education) blessed the students for their participation at National Level Jamboree and appreciated the efforts taken by the Scout Masters and Guide Captains in training the students during the Pre-Jamboree Camp. He has directed the escort teachers to ensure that all the

COVID-19 Protocol is observed during their journey and stay in the Camp. Shri K. Subramani, Secretary (Scouts) presented a brief report about the preparation of National Jamboree. The Scouts and Guides presented various cultural programmes and innovative Scouts / Guides activities to the gathering on this occasion. (Source: IP Division)



NOTICE INVITING e-TENDER

No. e-tender-DB/CD/DP/2022/ 5060 Diglipur,
dated: 22-12-2022

The Executive Engineer, CD, APWD, Diglipur, North Andaman invites on behalf of President of India, online Item Rate tenders from experienced and eligible and experienced Government/Public Sector Undertaking registered in India for following work:-

1. NIT No. 175/Tech/SE(P)/CE/2022-23 Name of work:- Upgradation of Rural Road No. DGRRR0201B, LKPRR0052B, MDPRR0106B, RDNRR0001B, RDNRR0004B, STNRR0152B and SUGRR0257B under Special Financial Assistance (SFA) at Diglipur Tehsil, North & Middle Andaman (Total Length: 19.366 km). Estimated cost: '15,14,96,551/- ('13,78,02,033.00 for upgradation and '1,36,94,518.00 for 5 years maintenance) Earnest Money: '25,14,966/- time of completion: 18 months.

(Tender ID: 2022_APWD_8629_1).

The e-tender form and other details can be downloaded from the website. The last date of bid submission will be 17-01-2023 upto 15:00 hours. Other details/information can be seen on website eprocure.and.gov.in.

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The e-tender from and other details can be downloaded from the website. The Last Date and Time of bid submission will be 12.01.2023 upto 15:00 hours. Other details / information can be seen on website. "https:// eprocure.andaman.gov.in.

Executive Engineer

E&M Division,

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APWD, Prothrapur, Port Blair

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Passport Office Recruitment 2022 | Deputy Passport Officer Posts | Total Vacancies 08 | Last Date 10-01-23 | Download MEA Recruitment Notification @ www.passportindia.gov.in

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MEA DPO Recruitment 2022 Notification and Passport India Recruitment application form is available @ www.mea.gov.in. Candidates who are seeking Degree Jobs must check their eligibility i.e. educational qualification, age limit, experience and etc. Eligible officers must have 5 years experience in relevant field. Central Passport Organization will recruit the aspirants on the basis of test/ interview and shortlisted candidates will be appointed at various locations. More details of www.passportindia.gov.in recruitment, Passport Jobs vacancy, upcoming notices, syllabus, answer key, merit list, selection list, admitcard, result, upcoming notifications and etc. will be uploaded on official website. Go to official website www.mea.gov.in

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That as per my Aadhaar card No. 576498477291, Pan card No. BCNPK5383C, Islander Identity card No. 10425607031002 my correct and actual name is recorded as P.R. KUMARI and my husband name is recorded as V.SASIDHARAN PILLAI. But by bonafide mistake my husband name is recorded in the ROR of Keralapuram village in holding No. 168 as V. SARIDHARAN PILLAI instead of V.SASIDHARAN PILLAI.

That V. SASIDHARAN PILLAI and V.SARIDHARAN PILLAI is a same and genuine person.

This affidavit is executed by me for rectification my husband name in the ROR of Keralapuram village. The above declaration is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

DEPONENT

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Application Last Date: 22-12-2022

ITBP Recruitment 2022: Indo-Tibetan Border Police Force is looking to hire eligible candidates for fill up the position of 287 Constable / Tradesman. Totally 287 vacancies will be allocated for Constable (Tailor, Gardener, Cobbler, Safai Karamchari, Washerman, Barber). Eligible Indian male and female candidates may use this ITBP Constable Recruitment 2022. Appointment will be based on temporary basis likely to be permanent in ITBP. Link for online application for Constable post will be activated on 23-11-2022. The last date for submission of online application form is 22-12-2022.

Applicants must have completed the Diploma/10th from recognized board are eligible for this ITBP Police Recruitment. ITBP will be conducted the physical efficiency test, physical standard test, written examination, trade test, detailed medical examination/ Review medical examinations for applying candidates. Candidates those who submit the online application in mentioned date can be able to download your admitcard from official website. Selected person will be located at anywhere in India with the scale of Pay Rs. 21,700 - 69,100. Applicants are advised to regularly keep in touch with the official website for latest updates and more information.

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Candidates will be picked by Interview method for Indian army Technical Entry Scheme 49. Interested candidates may view or download the Indian army Technical Entry Scheme 49 Vacancy Notification from the official website. All category candidates can apply without an application fee. Application comes with mistakes or invalid applications are totally rejected. In the Indian army TES 46 recruitment notification, Educational details, Age limits, Selection process, Apply mode and salary details are clearly intimated below in this page. Selected candidates will earn money as per pay scale. If you have any doubt kindly track the official website @ joinindianarmy.nic.in

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IN CONVERSATION

ESPORTS GETS OFFICIAL RECOGNITION IN INDIA

The Union government on Tuesday gave Esports a major boost by integrating it with mainline sports disciplines in the country.

President Droupadi Murmu, in exercise of the powers "conferred by clause (3) of article 77 of the Constitution" amended the rules governing Esports and asked the Ministry of Electronics and

notification, issued on December 23, that IT Ministry will be the nodal agency for online gaming-related matters and the sports ministry will have to include it in its curriculum, it has come as shot in the arm for Esports enthusiasts.

The International Olympic Committee (IOC) too is going big on popularising e-Sport with Singapore being confirmed to

day festival from June 22 to 25, including exhibiting the latest technologies, panel discussions, education sessions and show matches.

IOC president Thomas Bach had said last month that the inaugural Olympic Esports Week would mark an important milestone "in our ambition to support the growth of virtual sports within the Olympic Movement".

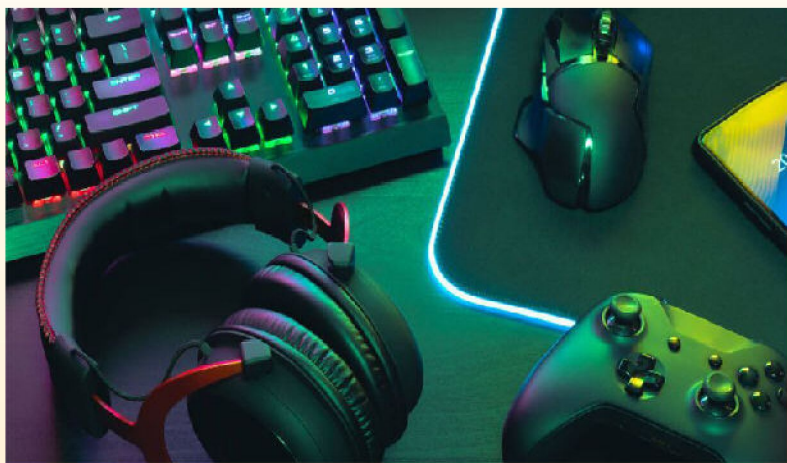
The Indian DOTA 2 team had clinched bronze at the first Commonwealth Esports Championship held in Birmingham in August defeating New Zealand.

The sport will make its debut at the Asian Games to be held in Hangzhou, China next year.

Reacting to the report of its inclusion as a mainline sport, Lokesh Suji, director, Esports Federation of India and vice-president of Asian Esports Federation, said the efforts of the fraternity had finally borne fruit.

"We have been constantly working on establishing the difference between esports and iGaming, and finally, our efforts have been fulfilled. We welcome this announcement by our government, which will open new avenues to pour in more investment opportunities in this booming industry."

"From now onwards, we will have to build proper infrastructure, training facilities and coaching for our young esports athletes. Only a short time until we see Esports being placed in the same league as cricket, football, basketball, etc. and having similar fan power, scale and craze," said Suji. - Source : Theweek



Information Technology and the Sports Ministry to include "e-Sports as part of multi-sports events".

There had been a growing demand for Esports to be included in the curriculum of multi-discipline events after it was included in the 2018 Jakarta Asian Games as a demonstration sport, meaning medals won in the sport were not counted in the official overall medals tally.

But following the President's

host the inaugural Olympic Esports Week in June next year.

This marks the next big step in supporting the development and integration of virtual sports with the Olympic movement and engaging further with competitive gamers.

The IOC had said in November this year that the Olympic Esports Week would showcase the best of virtual sports - hybrid physical and simulated sports - in the four-

Cold wave continues in Delhi, but respite likely for next two days

The national capital continued to reel under severe cold on Wednesday morning too as the minimum temperatures stayed at eight degree celsius. Dense fog accompanied the cold wave as the minimum temperatures fell below that of hill stations Dharamshala and Nainital.

However, the India Meteorological Department (IMD) has forecasted improvement in the cold wave conditions in northern parts of country, including Delhi, Haryana and Punjab, for the next three days till the New Year eve.

The cold wave, caused due to the impact of an impending western disturbance, will return by January 1 as the winds will turn north-westerly again. The cold wave will also bring dense fog.

"We can expect a very brief respite with minimum and maximum temperatures likely to rise by 1-2°C. Around New Year's Eve, extreme cold may not set in

but temperatures will drop once again from January 1 or 2," Mahesh Palawat, the vice president of climate and meteorology at Skymet Weather, was quoted by Hindustan Times.



He added that the 'sunshine hours' may increase till December 30 and the winds will die down, triggering a rise in temperatures. Though the increase will be marginal, it will provide a much-needed respite. Visibility may also improve during this period, he added.

While Palam in Delhi recorded a minimum temperature

of 7.8°C, Safdarjung recorded a minimum temperature of 8.4°C, said IMD.

According to meteorologists, the western disturbance may bring light to moderate snowfall to

Besides the national capital, dense fog conditions prevailed on Tuesday in parts of National Capital Region, Haryana, Punjab, west Uttar Pradesh, and north Rajasthan too.

The visibility fell to just 50 metres in Delhi, causing traffic disruptions. Over 100 flights were delayed and a few diverted to Jaipur while several trains were also impacted.

The entire Himachal Pradesh was under a cold wave on Tuesday as temperatures dropped to below freezing point in most places.

The minimum temperatures dipped 10-12 degrees below freezing point in high altitude tribal areas, mountain passes, and other higher ranges, while several other places reeled under lower reaches of sub-zero temperature. Fog shrouded many parts of Punjab and Haryana where intense cold weather conditions continued on Tuesday.

Himachal Pradesh and Jammu and Kashmir too.

"It will impact the most around December 29 and once it passes, cold will intensify once again since the north-westerly winds bring cold air from the snowclad Himalayan region," RK Jenamani, senior scientist, national weather forecasting centre, IMD, told Hindustan Times.



"Hindi Workshop" held at Botanical Survey of India



Port Blair, Dec 28: The Botanical Survey of India, Andaman and Nicobar Regional Centre organized two days 'Hindi workshop' on 27.12.2022 & 28.12.2022 for the encouragement and awareness

about the use of 'Hindi' in the official work amongst the officers and employees. Inaugurating the Valedictory function Head of Regional Centre & Joint Director, Dr. Lal Ji Singh emphasized upon the

Hindi. Dr Singh emphasized upon the role of government employees in working of Rajbhasha Hindi and using Hindi in the office and encouraged all the participants who are working in Hindi in the official works. - Source : BSI

Isles' Bangalee poet felicitated



Port Blair, Dec 28: Isles' Bangalee Poet, Editor and Journalist Shri Anadiranjana Biswas (Editor, Baakprothima and News Spotlight) has been felicitated by a couple of organisations of Nadia District, West Bengal. On 26th December 2022, Shri Biswas has been honoured with 'Tarapada De Smriti Sammanana' by 'Mastermohai Tarapada De Memorial Committee' in the premises of Baro Andulia Higher Secondary School. Earlier on 25 December 2022, Shri Anadiranjana Biswas was felicitated by United Sporting Club of Rangiar Pota (native village of Shri Biswas).

Vishal raises shipping issues with CS

Port Blair, Dec 28: Shri Vishal Jolly National Executive Member BJP & Former State President BJP-ANI has written a letter to Chief Secretary A & N Administration for issues pertaining to extremely poor shipping services which are seriously affecting the lives of people belonging to Southern groups of Islands, especially Katchal, Teressa, Chowra & Nancowry group of Islands. Mentioning his recently concluded tour to Nicobar District Shri Jolly reported in his letter that two vessels/boats namely M. V. Galathiya and M. V. Barren, which were used for voyages/passenger sailings in the Nancowry group of Islands are out service due to its poor & pathetic conditions and therefore there is neither any vehicle ferry nor any ferry boat available for Nancowry groups of Islands. It was further reported that the

newly build vessels namely M. V. Nalanda and M. V. Sindhu are not berthing at Katchal Jetty although all the facilities are available for a smooth berthing at Katchal Jetty. It was also pointed out that good vessels are not used for providing services to southern group of Islands & sailings of ships are usually irregular in these Islands. It was further highlighted that the tribal people residing at Nicobar group of Islands culturally and traditionally requires to transport cattle from one island to another and there are presently no ships/boats available through which the same could be transported. Accordingly, he demanded that at least one Ferry and one Vehicle Ferry Boat be provided on urgent basis for Nancowry Group of Islands and good condition vessels namely M. V. Nalanda and M. V. Sindhu be

instructed to berth at Katchal Jetty at the earliest. Further he demanded that the sailings of vessels namely M. V. Nalanda and M. V. Sindhu in all ports from Hut Bay, Car Nicobar, Chowra, Terrasa, Katchal and Kamorta Islands be compulsorily scheduled on regular basis, at least thrice in each & every month, round the year. Also demanded that either new vessels be purchased or the available old vessels be modified & renovated in such a manner that it becomes fit & capable to carry & transport cattle. Speed boats compulsorily schedule every alternative days between Kamorta and Katchal also added his letter. Concluding in his letter he requested the Chief Secretary A & N Administration to sort out these issues at the earliest, in the interest of welfare of people belonging to these Islands.

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