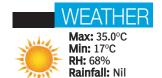
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## No more interviews in APPSC SALT to enhance

**DC CORRESPONDENT** VIJAYAWADA, JUNE 26

Aiming to bring about total transparency in the AP Public Service Commission (APPSC) recruitments, the AP government has cancelled the interview procedures in the selection process.

Secretary Chief Adityanath Das issued a G.O. on the annulment of the interview process on

The general administra-

DC CORRESPONDENT

Days after the Rashta

Manch met at the NCP

supremo Sharad Pawar's

house in New Delhi in a

bid to explore the possibil-

ities for a third front with-

out the Congress, the NCP

and Shiv Sena have made

it clear that for any

Opposition grouping to be

a viable force against the

BJP, the Congress will have to be a part of it. Sources in the NCP said

on Saturday that since the

Congress is present in all

states, it will have to be

accommodated in the larg-

NEW DELHI, JUNE 26

tion (services-A) department issued the G.O. 58, stating that the scheme and the syllabi for the recruitment of various posts were enunciated, as also the posts for which interviews are required to be conducted.

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It further stated that the government decided that the interviews shall be abolished for all posts, except for the state services and for those posts which are executive in nature and where articula-

NCP hints Oppn alliance

er anti-BJP alliance. After

returning to Maharashtra,

Mr Pawar also said that if

any such coalition emer-

ges, its leadership will

On Saturday, the Shiv

Sena too made it clear that

no grand Opposition alli-

ance can be possible with-

out the Congress being

part of it. Shiv Sena leader

and Rajya Sabha MP

Sanjay Raut on Saturday

said that work is on to bring all Opposition par-ties together at the nation-

al level, and this alliance

will be incomplete without

Speaking with reporters,

the Congress

have to be "collective".

not possible sans Cong.

tion skills and public interface are required. Based on the recommendations of the APPSC, interviews were prescribed for a few more posts.

The order said that the Secretary of APPSC stated that during the review meeting on reforms in the conduct of examinations by the APPSC held on 18.10.2019, a decision was taken not to conduct interviews for recruitment to any of the posts notified by

Mr Raut said, "There is no need for the third front or

any other front. Sharad

Pawar has already made it

clear. The Congress will

play an important role. It

will be a strong alterna-

tive to the present dispensation... Work is in progress to bring all the

Opposition together, whi-

ch will not be complete till

the Congress is roped in."

Maharashtra strongman

and NCP chief Sharad Pawar had called a meet-

ing of several Opposition

parties under the aegis of

Rashtra Manch started by

him and current TMC

leader Yashwant Sinha.

The government after careful examination of the matter with a view to maintaining utmost transparency and in order to ensure the complete trust of the competing candidates in the entire selection process, decided to dispense with interviews for all APPSC examinations under all categories including those for Group-I services, for all the recruitments notified on or after the issue of the

#### **CENTRE DEFERS GREEN NOD FOR** AP'S RLS PROJECT

DC CORRESPONDENT KURNOOL, JUNE 26

The Union Ministry of Environment and Forests has deferred granting of environmental clearances to Rayalaseema Lift Scheme (RLS), that has become a bone of contention between AP and TS. It ministry sought a detailed impact assessment on six points. It also directed the AP government to address the objections raised by the National Green Tribunal (NGT).

Page 2: AP directed to furnish clear drawings

# education in AP

#### IBRD sanctions \$250 million for 5-yr project

DC CORRESPONDENT VIJAYAWADA, JUNE 26

The AP government has decided to introduce revolutionary changes in the education sector in the next five years with the help of the Supporting Andhra's Transformation (SALT) project for which the International Bank for Reconstruction Development (IBRD) sanctioned \$250 million for a period of five years.

Minister for education Adimulapu Suresh said that this is the first of its innovative project for training teachers, facilitating state-level assessment and establishing an effective education management and information

system. Suresh said that SALT would focus on important key areas such as strengthening the foundation of learning, teacherinteractions, student improving the quality of teaching, organisational capabilities and providing quality services strengthening the involvement of social organisa-

Minister Suresh said

MINISTER FOR education Adimulapu Suresh said this is a World Bank special project.

SALT WILL focus on strengthening the foundation of learning, teacher-student interactions, improving quality of teaching, organisational capabilities and providing quality services by strengthening the involvement of social organisations.

that this is a World Bank special project and is being implemented for the first time in over 10 years. The World Bank would also extend the project to the states which have the capacity to implement it. He stated that it is a matter of pride for such a project to be implemented in

He explained that the scheme is being implemented with the integration of Samagra Shiksha Abhivan and consultants will be selected from internationally renowned consulting companies.

An IAS officer and a joint director-level officer would be appointed to supervise the scheme in the state. Steps would be taken to set up schools in all districts across the state on the lines of those set up for physically challenged children in Kadapa district. The minister said that action plans would be prepared for the improve ment of basic amenities in the schools including toilets and drinking water and further security and protection of the students and schools. He said that Learning Management Systems, SCERT and DIET would be linked for the betterment of the education system. He further said that a Personal Adaptive Learning would be started in the schools and a state assessment cell would be set up for assessments. Social audit with parents committees would also be formed at the schools.

Principal (school education) B Rajasekar, director of school education V. Chinaveerabadhrudu, Shiksha Samagra director Abhiyan Vetriselvi and other officials participated in the review meeting.



IN BRIEF

#### **CS** to AP govt gets 3-month extension

DC CORRESPONDENT VIJAYAWADA, JUNE 26

Chief Secretary Aditya Nath Das got a three-month exten-30. The central government on Saturday approved the request of Chief Minister Y. S. Jagan Mohan Reddy to extend his

Department of personnel and training under-secretary Kuldeep Chaudhary communi cated the matter to the state government. The tenure of Aditya Nath Das was scheduled to end on June 30.

#### **GOV FOR HOLISTIC GROWTH OF KIDS** FROM EARLY STAGE

**DC CORRESPONDENT** VIJAYAWADA, JUNE 26

Andhra Pradesh Governor Biswabhusan Harichandan underlined that holistic development through education from an early stage of a child's life has become quite important today, especially given the crises we have been currently

facing.

He was participating as chief guest in a two-day International Education e-Conference on the theme Holistic Education fo Holistic Excellence in Life – organised by Prajapita Brahma Kumari Ishwariya Vishwa Vidyalaya

here on Saturday.
Inaugurating the conference in a virtual mode, Harichandan said children need to be equipped with intellectual, mental, physical, emotional, and spiritual capabili ties for facing demands and challenges of everyday life. "Such real-world education will help every child find his or her unique place in the world, which is in alignment with their innate values," he pointed out.

#### **WEBINAR DWELLS ON SCOPE OF SOCIAL WORK**

DC CORRESPONDENT VIJAYAWADA, JUNE 26

A National level webinar on 'Scope for Social Work: Profession with National Council of Social Work Education' was organised by the Department of Sociology and Social Work, Acharya Nagariuna University here on Saturday, in which key discussion was held on the draft National Council of Social

Work Education Bill 2021. Bhatt, Delhi School of Social Work, University of Delhi and National Convener, Campaign for NCSWE, stated that this Bill would be the way forward for five lakh professionals and there shall be rapid and sustainable development in the nation. He appreciated the states which have started the campaign and represented to the policy makers and public representatives regarding the Bill. He asserted that social workers were needed to develop human relations, they were the key change agents to bring progress in health, education, economic conditions, social empowerment and the course was designed with in-house and field work practicum.

Prof Sanjai Bhat said South India was having 50% social work institutions in India, so the campaign should be taken as a flagship and advocated at

#### **PROMOTE SANS TESTS, PLEAD 1ST** YEAR MEDICOS

DC CORRESPONDENT VIJAYAWADA, JUNE 26

The first-year MBBS students and their parents have urged the state government to promote them to the second year due to improper conduct of classes and incompletion of syllabi due to the pandemic

A delegation of students and parents led by T. Srinivasa Vishwanatha called on NTR University of Health Sciences registrar Dr K. Sankar here on Saturday and submitted a memorandum seeking promotion to the second year.

They deplored that the classes for the first-year students could not be held properly due to the Covid-19 induced lockdown. They said the students were deprived of practical learning and later on, though online classes were started, they did not help the students as physical classes would.

They lamented that the improper clinical exposure and lack of practicals adversely impacted the learning.

## **AP state emerging as** 'Fruit Basket of India'

#### Horticulture farmers being extended all support: Special CS

DC CORRESPONDENT VIJAYAWADA, JUNE 26

Special chief secretary (Âgriculture) Poonam Malakondaiah announced that the state government has started supporting horticulture farmers because of Covid-19 times. They are ensuring that farmers are able to transport their produce and get a proper price in the mar-

Addressing a media conference on Saturday, she said horticulture in the state is being taken up over 17.84 lakh hectares. Their total yield is 312 lakh metric tonnes, which justifies AP being called "fruit basket of the coun-

Telangana, Andhra Pradesh

two states on matters

related to the Krishna.

ects, particularly the

Irrigation Scheme and

Diversion Scheme's right canal project," is the

refrain adopted by TRS

ministers. Being friends

is one thing, theft of

water is another thing

altogether, is what the TRS leaders say.

Incidentally, this is not

the first time politicians

have sought to bring to a

Krishna. And it certainly

won't be the last either.

Meanwhile, the river con-

and Telangana and may

continue to do so, but only

if Maharashtra gets copi-

ous rains, lets water down

into Karnataka, and then

Karnataka does the same

for TS and AP.

tinues to run through AP

Rajolibanda

Rayalaseema

We will oppose AP's proj-

boil over Krishna waters

Tt was supposed to be a

Lsangam to drown all

other 'sangams' when the

Telangana state and Andhra Pradesh Chief

Ministers met in 2019 to

discuss, among other things, the sharing of Godavari and Krishna

waters. The Krishna has

always been the con-

tentious one, with a series

of dams and power projects along its course. The

CMs had made the right

noises when they met,

about working together,

how every drop of water

ly and, despite being in two states, all Telugu

speaking people were one,

Fast forward to 2021,

and the tune in Telangana has changed. TRS leaders

and ministers have taken

to, and are crooning, the

'Dost dost n raha' line,

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• DRAWING COMPARISONS with previous government, Poonam Malakondaiah said while 11,22,912 MT of graded MSP for ground-nut and Bengal gram. Poonam Malakondaiah said while 11,22,912 MT of crops, excluding paddy, had been procured during 2014-2019 at a cost of ₹3,921 crore, the current government has procured 19,30,199 MT crops in the last two vears at a cost of ₹6.348 crore.

• SHE ANNOUNCED that a foundation stone will be laid on July 8 for construction of 2,000 warehouses in the

Poonam Malakondaiah said 46 lakh MT of mango crop is expected, of which 70 percent has already been harvested. Some of it has been exported through 27 Kisan trains. She said the government had also supported farmers by providing mini-mum statutory price mum statutory price (MSP) for perishable goods like chilli, turmeric, banana and orange, apart

from establishing a price stabilisation fund of

₹3.000 crore. The principal secretary explained that the state government is currently providing MSP of ₹7,000 per quintal for chillies, ₹6,850 for turmeric, ₹770 for onion, ₹2,500 for minor millets, ₹800 for banana and ₹1,400 for sweet

Besides these, the gov-

She announced that a foundation stone will be

tion of 2,000 warehouses in the state. Further, 25 fruit processing units will be set up throughout AP to enable farmers earn more prof-

laid on July 8 for construc-

Drawing comparisons with previous government, Malakondaiah said while 11,22,912 MT of crops, excluding paddy, had been procured during 2014–2019 at a cost of ₹3,921 crore, the current government has procured 19,30,199 MT crops in the last two years at a cost of ₹6,348 crore.





Ramesh Kumar. The latest is the dramatic arrest of rebel YSR Congress MP Raghu Ramakrishna Raju. While in all the cases, the allegations against the accused, prima facie, are serious and the political direction to file cases is not merely out of vendetta, the handling of the investigation, arrest of the accused and liberty

ing individual liberty which he said was the pinnacle of all laws. He went on to explain that arrest would mean suspending one's individual liberty for a brief period of time. Arrest shall not be a matter of routine, he said and asked officers not to apply law as they interpreted but follow the Supreme Court and High Court guidelines. Well, if officers are faulted for murmuring

in custody drew flak. Apparently sensing trouble, the CID chief recent-

ly held a virtual confer-

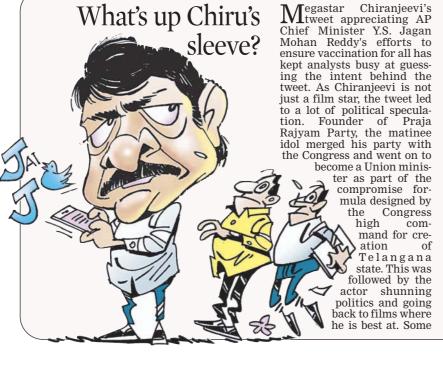
ence with his officers and

gave sermons on protect-

under their breath that charity should always begin at home, it is, for sure, tantamount to curtailing their individual

### Caste war mars NRI group acquisition plans?

All is not going well with the 'mega' plans of acquiring the NRI Group of Educational Institutions by an agglomeration of companies based out of Hyderabad but spreading its tentacles across the country. The proposed acquisition has turned into a caste war, with the financially strong Kammas of the coastal districts, some of whom owned the NRI group, making every effort to retain ownership and prevent what they Reddys. A once-politically powerful leader stepped into the arena and assured the original promoters of protecting their interests by taking legal support. The mega entrepreneur is rumoured to have met the leader and tried to convince him on the acquisition and even requested him not to put spokes in the move. The leader did not budge and won the hearts of his fellowmen. It is not his fault if they compare him with Chandrababu Naidu and blame the latter for remaining silent on what they describe as a forced acquisi-



drew the inference that another compromise was being worked out between him and Jagan to win over the Kapu community to which the hero belongs. The tweet angered hardcore fans of Pawan Kalyan, his brother, film actor and politician. While the ruling and opposition party leaders are busy making calculations, top guns from the film industry who know Chiranjeevi do not rule out the possibility of the tweet being a simple goodwill gesture in advance of Chiranjeevi's and his son's big budget movies lining up for release. Producers and distributors of Pawan's latest flick 'Vakeel Saab' suffered as Jagan restricted the number of shows and scrapped bene-fit shows which otherwise are money spinners. Who knows, a simple tweet might turn the fortunes for the elder brother.



Vice-President M. Venkaiah Naidu being received by GVMC Mayor Golagani Hari Venkata Kumari and others upon his arrival at Visakhapatnam airport on Saturday.

## Venkaiah calls for making India a maritime leader

**DC CORRESPONDENT** VISAKHAPATNAM, JUNE 26

Vice-President Venkaiah Naidu on Saturday called for making India a leading maritime nation and emphasized the important role ports will have to play in achieving the ambitious

He was addressing a virmeeting Visakhapatnam Port Trust (VPT) guest house here on Saturday after he was briefed by the VPT Chairman K. Rama Chairman K. Rama Mohana Rao on various activities of the port, including its expansion

The Vice-President said that ancient India was a great maritime power and that navies of Chola and Kalinga kings used to rule over the oceans. "We have to regain that glory," he

Touching upon the

infrastructure in the country, he said that as part of the ambitious Sagarmala project, more than 504 projects have been identified to unlock the opportunities for port-led development and these initiatives are expected to mobilize more than 3.57 lakh crore of infrastruc-

ture investment. Noting the decline in the trend Visakhapatnam port during 2020-21 due to the pandemic after a healthy upward swing between 2015-16 and 2019-20, he expressed hope that it would regain its growth trajectory once the situa-

tion normalises. "It is important to note that ports will play an important role in post-Covid-19 economic recovery", he added.

Lauding ports for having played a proactive role in handling oxygen supplies

Rajarshi and Saptarshi

said that the 24×7 student-

run next tech lab, semes-

ter abroad and entrepre-

neurship at UC Berkeley,

and Hackathon in Bay Area

development of the port and humanitarian relief work during the second wave of Covid-19 and cyclones Tauktae and Yaas, he said "I compliment you all for that".

Referring to the Maritime India Vision 2030. Naidu wanted the port to adopt global best practices in operations and development. He said that the Vision-2030 is not impossible to achieve as India has the inherent strength of knowledge and wanted everyone to work together in the spirit

of Team India.
Earlier, the Vice-President was apprised of the port's expansion plans, including the proposed extablishment of a posed establishment of a ₹406-crore Free Trade and Warehousing (FTWZ) in an area of 103 acres.

Minister Muttamsetti M. Srinivasa Rao and local officials were present on

## 2 SRM students bag plum jobs in Japan

DC CORRESPONDENT VIJAYAWADA, JUNE 26

In what brought laurels to SRM University AP, twins and students of B.Tech-CSE, Rajarshi Majumdar and Saptarshi Majumdar, bagged lucrative jobs in PVP Inc., a strategic partner of Google Japan, with an annual salary package making preparations to go to Japan to start their careers. Felicitation to the twins and other merit students of the maiden batch of SRM University was held here on Saturday and presented cash rewards.

Dr P. Sathyanarayanan, SRM AP president, congratulating the twins, merit students and the first batch said it was indeed a proud moment for them, seeing so many achievers in the maiden batch. He said SRM University-

AP was unleashing power setting records through incredible placements, with its students getting admissions to international universities, and starting entrepreneurial ventures and competing with MIT, Stanford and Carnegie Mellon students gave them wide exposure to the real world, which would not have been posous support of their faculty and university management. They stated it was time that they started their lives in Japan, and were very much looking forward to the new chap-Prof. Vajja Sambasiva Rao, Vice Chancellor, said the maiden batch created a record of 100% place ment with most students getting multiple offers.

He explained that 71 per cent of students got Marquee, Super Dream, and Dream offers and more than 600 companies visited the university for recruitments.
Pro Vice Chancellor,

Prof D. Narayana Rao and Vivekanandan, assistant director, corporate relations and career services, addressed the students on the occasion.

#### **AP DIRECTED TO FURNISH CLEAR DRAWINGS**

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The ministry further directed AP to furnish clear drawings, layouts and charts besides details of land acquisition and ayacut proposed to be

Contending that there was no clarity in the

application submitted by AP government, the MoEF asked the state how much water the state proposes to utilise for the scheme. It also found fault with state government request for amend ments in the permission granted to the Telugu Ganga project.

### **VIJAYAWADA GETS 4 STAR RATING AT NATIONAL LEVEL**

DC CORRESPONDENT VIJAYAWADA, JUNE 26

Vijayawada brightly in the Climate Assessment Framework

(CSCAF) 2.0 results, bagging a 4-Star rating.

The Smart Cities
Mission of the Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs, Govt of India, 2.0 in October 2020. None of the 126 cities that were assessed could get the 5-star rating. Vijayawada Municipal

Commissioner V. Prasanna Venkatesh Prasanna Venkatesh said that only nine cities across India got 4-star ratings and Vijayawada is the only non-Smart City in India in this category. He emphasised that only 2 cities from AP, namely Vijayawada and Vizag, achieved the 4-Star rating. An elated Commissioner described it as a great achievement for the city Vijayawada. He opined that further based on the City Performance Report (CPR) with recommendations, respective departments can get insights through the CSCAF assessment and help the city put in place the best environment practices for safe and healthy living.

U. Sarada Devi, the Nodal Officer (CSCAF 2.0) and Additional Commissioner (Projects) at VMC, explained that CSCAF 2.0 consisted of five themes namely, Energy and Green Buildings, Urban Planning, Green Cover and Biodiversity, Mobility and Air Qual-ity, Water Management, and Waste

### e-Commerce, banking, healthcare and telecom sectors are offering jobs to eligible youth

## Vizag tops in country in BPO job creation

DC CORRESPONDENT VISAKHAPATNAM, JUNE 26

Technology Parks of India (STPĬ), Visakhapatnam, has set a target of creating 45,000 BPO jobs under the India BPO Promotion Scheme (IBPS) across the state within the next three

Till now, the state has created 12,000 jobs, includ-

Visakhapatnam. With this, AP has topped country in providing BPO jobs. Vizag too figures at the top in the cities category, said STPI Visakhapatnam centre Joint Director M. P. Dubey, who is also the nodal officer for implementing IBPS in Andhra Pradesh.

'We have recruited people even during the pan-demic period in the last • KEY POINTS:

- 45,000 BPO jobs by 2023

- AP has BPOs in 11 tier-2 and tier-3 cities and towns

- 12,000 jobs have already been created

- Vizag has topped the country by creating 8,000 jobs

and one-half years. Once told Deccan Chronicle. government India BPO the pandemic ends, we will Union be able to reach our target launched Promotion Scheme in 2017 of recruitment," Dubey

to promote IT units in tier 2 and 3 cities across the country. AP has STPIs at 11 places, including Vizag, Vijayawada, Guntur, S r i k a k u l a m Parvatipuram and and Kandukuru. The objective of IBPS is to promote basic skills like computer knowledge and communication skills among local youth, so that they can find employment.

While Vizag has so far created 8,000 jobs, 2,000 youth have found jobs in Tirupati. Nearly 100 jobs have been created for locals in Srikakulam town while in Kandukur 200

found employment. There are total 56 BPO companies in AP supporting the government in reach the employment tar-

get. e-Commerce, banking,

healthcare and telecom

are among the sectors offering jobs to eligible youth, 40 per cent of whom are women.

"We will provide at least 20,000 jobs by the end of 2021–22 financial year," Dubey assured.

Under IBPS, government provides ₹1 lakh per seat as viability gap funding for setting up BPO and

ITeS-enabled operations in smaller towns and cities.

### SHORT TAKES **VIZAG-VIJ TRAIN SERVICES**

DC CORRESPONDENT VISAKHAPATNAM, JUNE 26

The services two trains were restored for operation. Train Visakhapatnam-Vijayawada and Vijayawada-Visakhapatnam will run as per the schedule on June 28 and 29 and July 5 and 6.

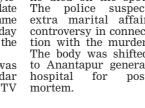
#### MASON BLUDGEONED TO DEATH, **EXTRA MARITAL AFFAIR SUSPECTED**

DC CORRESPONDENT ANANTAPUR, JUNE 26

A building worker was brutally killed at a deserted site near Government Polyte-chnic College Road late on Friday. Incident came to light on Saturday after locals noticed the body of the person.

The deceased was identified as Beldar Yellappa, 45, of TV tower area on the out skirts of Anantapur.

Beldar Yellappa was beaten with hard stones on his head and he died on the spot. The police suspect extra marital affair controversy in connection with the murder. The body was shifted to Anantapur general hospital for





#### NOTIFICATION

New Delhi, the 21th June, 2021

S.O.2458(E).-In exercise of powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 3(A) of National Highways Act, 1956 (48 of 1956), (here in after referred to as the said Act), the Central Government after being satisfied that for the public purpose, the land, the brief description of which is given in the Schedule below, is required for building(widening/four laning, etc.) maintenance, management and operation of National Highway No.544E in the stretch of land from Km.0/000 to Km.57/700 (Kodikonda Checkpost - Madaksira Road) in the district of Anantapuramu in the State of Andhra Pradesh, hereby declares its intention to acquire such land:

Any person interested in the said land may, within twenty-one days from the date of publication of this notification in the Official Gazette, object to the use of such land for the aforesaid purpose under sub-section (1) of section 3C of the said Act.

Every such objection shall be made to the competent authority, namely, Joint Collector, Anantapuramu in writing and shall set out the grounds thereof and the competent authority shall give the objector an opportunity of being heard, either in person or by a legal practitioner and may after hearing all such objections and after making such further enquiry, if any, as the competent authority thinks necessary, by order, either allow or disallow the objections. Any order made by the competent authority under sub-section (2) of section 3C of the

The land plans and other details of the land covered under this notification are available and can be inspected by the interested person at the aforesaid office of the competent authority.

#### 3A Schedule (Additional)

Brief Description of the land to be acquired with or without structure falling within the

stretch of land from KM-0/000 to 57/700 (Kodikonda Checkpost - Madakasira road) of NH-544E in the District of Ananthapuram in the State of Andhra Pradesh.  State: ANDHRA PRADESH  District: ANANTAPURAMU					
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#### Miraculous escape



Ten crew members of a mechanised fishing boat from Tamil Nadu had a miraculous escape when a fire broke out in the vessel following an LPG cylinder blast when it was sailing in the Bay of Bengal near Krishnapatnam port on Friday.

## Tourism picks up as Covid subsides

DC CORRESPONDENT KURNOOL, JUNE 26

With Kurnool district witnessing rains in the last few days, greenery in Nallamala Hills has become enchanting. With news spreading, tourists have been flocking various spots in the district. They have started visiting Srisailam by road both from Hyderabad and Kurnool. There is also an increase in visitors to Srigiri Hills, the abode of Lord Mallikarjuna and Goddess Bhramaramba.

Srisailam temple executive officer (EO) K.S. Rama Rao said pilgrims at the Lord's abode have increased fivefold within

Darshan timings too have been extended from

morning 6 to 3 pm. During lockdown, hardly a few hundred braved to have darshan. Now, the number of pilgrims is between 10,000 and 15,000 per day, the EO said. He is hopeful that Sunday will see many more devotees offering prayers to Lord Mallikarjuna Goddess Bhramaramba.

The temple kitchen has also started offering free food to devotees. Srinivas, who manages the free food service at Srisailam, said daily they have been distributing about 5,000 food packets.

Depending on the rush, their number can easily be scaled up, he stated.

## **Maoists learning from RMPs,** quacks how to treat Covid

The only problem they face is a lack of O2 supply and Dola 650

care by properly following the Covid protocols such as maintaining physical dis-

tance, wearing masks, and

At a recent meeting, the

Collector had directed to prepare and submit neces-

sary plans and proposals to

increase the number of

oxygen beds in government

hospitals in the district. He

said all the hospitals including KGH, VIMS,

Chest Hospital must have

sufficient beds with oxygen

APSMIDC executive engineer D.A. Naidu was asked

to personally inspect the

wards at KGH and submit

supply and ventilators.

including KGH.

sanitising hands.

K.M.P. PATNAIK | DC VISAKHAPATNAM, JUNE 26

Registered medical practitioners (RMPs) and some quacks are training the outlawed Maoists in treating their members affected by the Covid-19. The virus is to be infecting activists on a large-scale and making them immobile in the Andhra-Odisha

Border zone, sources said. The activists are for long getting trained in administering first aid and other treatment for bullet wounds, snake bites or fevers like malaria. The trained activists win over the local people by treating them for snake bites and malaria. "But Covid-19 is completely a new phenomenon that caught them off guard. Known to be quick learners, some of the activists got trained by the experienced RMPs practicing in the interior villages of AOB soon after the first wave," said a senior police officer. He said Ashok, who was killed in the recent Theegalametta along with

VISAKHAPATNAM, JUNE 26

DC CORRESPONDENT

The steel city has been on high alert following the report of the first Delta Plus variant of Covid-19 case at Tirupati.

Vizag on alert

to tackle Delta+

In the 24 hours ended on Saturday, the city registered 229 new Covid-19

cases and two deaths.
Visakhapatnam District Collector V. Vinay Chand instructed all the state-designated Covid-19 care hospitals and the medical staff to be vigilant over the new cases and take proper care while handling the Covid patients. He also appealed to the public to take utmost

such treatments There are about 10 RMPs practising within 10 km radius of the encounter

being fully utilised. The only problem they face is a lack of oxygen supply and Dola 650, the tablets presite. Their services are

### **INFECTIONS SEE FURTHER DIP IN STATE**

DC CORRESPONDENT VIJAYAWADA, JUNE 26

The Covid-19 infections slightly decreased in AP on Saturday with the registration of 4,147 Corona new infections in the past 24 hours against 4,458 cases on Friday. As many as 5,773 patients were discharged due to recovery in the state and 96,121 samples were tested in which 4.147 were found infected. AP has conducted cumulatively 2,16,37,606 Corona tests.

The total number of infections in 13 districts of AP touched 18,75,622 of which 18,16,930 cases recovered and were dis-

fever. A senior RMP doctor said he learnt that the Maoists are procuring mini oxygen cylinders and Dola 650 from Malkangiri area

in south Odisha but the supplies are said to be inadequate.

"The Maoists themselves admitted that members of Galikonda and Korukonda Covid-19 and we offered to get them and their family members also treated," said Satish Kumar, the officer on special duty for Maoist operations based in

Narsipatnam. He said that around 20 senior activists were operating in Vizag agency but a lot of militia members keep coming from Chhattisgarh and Odisha, bringing along with them the virus. Hence, an appeal was made to the villagers to keep away from the Maoists to keep away infections, the OSD said.

The secretary of the Federation of Experienced Practitioners Medical Welfare Association of AP, J. Joshi, said the RMPs working in villages close to the border were being taken to the interiors to treat the villagers, but it could not be confirmed whether they were rendering service to the Maoists.

#### **RED SANDERS SMUGGLERS** NABBED

DC CORRESPONDENT KADAPA, JUNE 26

District SP Karur Karunapati Nagendra Kumar Anburajan said that five red sanders smugglers were arrested within the limits of Kalasapadu police station in Kadapa district. It was revealed that 52 red sandalwood logs (794.5 kg) and four mobile phones were seized from the arrested persons.

He disclosed the details of the case at a press conference held at the district police office on Saturday. Kalasapadu police got the informa-Kalasapadu from reliable sources, they arrested the accused on Friday evening in a forest area near Neelapuram pond and 52 logs ready for transport were seized. The accused Bhavanasi Ramana (36), Challa Narayana Nimmakayala Chinnamunireddy (51), Kondepogu Obuleshu (29) and Kamanur Manoi Kumar (24) were arrested and they were produced

The district SP warned that strict action would be taken if red sanders was smuggled or encouraged. SP complimented the police officers who played a key role in the arrest of five red sanders smugglers.

## be banned in Nandyal tiger corridor The Nandyal DFO

DC CORRESPONDENT KURNOOL, JUNE 26

With rising incidents of bamboo thefts near the Rudravaram forest range, the Nandyal forest range is banning contemplating bamboo extraction. The Nandyal DFO Sambangi Venkatesh said that since this is a Tiger corridor, the extraction of bamboo would also affect the moments of the wildcat. As the Atmakur division has already banned bamboo extraction to conserve the tiger habitat, we are also thinking of suggesting such measures to the government said the

He said Bamboo is minor produce and its extraction is continued for nine months a year. Sale of harvested bamboo fetched a gross revenue of Rs 170 lakhs during the last year. This year I am expecting gross revenue of above Rs

Sambangi Venkatesh said that since this is a Tiger corridor, the extraction of bamboo would also affect the moments of the wildcat. As the Atmakur division has already banned bamboo extraction

200 lakhs from the bamboo

sale. These are transported from the plantations to APFDC Depots where sales are held by way of conducting auctions, the DFO said. When asked Nallamala forest has become a hideout for illicit liquor manufacturers and they are also allegedly cutting bamboo and selling it out, The DFOnsaid one lorry load was confiscated recently and they have increased vigilance. He said forest jurisdiction is vast and is porous, but with the available staff we are efficiently managing it, he said.

#### Chilkur priest pushes for Dalit as TTD chief

DC CORRESPONDENT **NELLORE, JUNE 26** 

The Temples Protection Movement Convener and hereditary cum-trustee of Chilkur Balaji temple, Rangarajan, has

appealed to the Andhra Pradesh state government to scrap the newly appointed Specified Authority and constitute full-fledged Trust Board with a practising Hindu Dalit as the chair-

## Bamboo extraction may Peetadhipathi row ends at B. Matham

DC CORRESPONDENT KADAPA, JUNE 26

Both the warring families contending for Peethadipathi post of the Brahmamgari Matham in the district have resolved their differences and agreed to hand over the responsibilities Nossam Venkatadri Swami of the eighth generation

Veerabrahmam as the 12th head.

Swami is the eldest son of the first wife of the recently deceased Peetadhipathi Vee-rab-hoga Vasantha Venkateswara Swamy. The issue of succession became complicated with second wife insisting on the post to her son. Several seers tried to bring about rapprochement. between the two groups.

the death of Veerabhoga Vasantha Venkateswara Swamy, his second wife, Maruti Mahalakshmamma,

the responsibilities to her son. She also claimed that her husband had written a will to appoint her son as the head of the

A bitter succession war

ensued and many seers visited the Matham to find an amicable settlement. Even endowment minister Srinivasa Rao visited the place and held talks with both family members in the presence of Mydukur Raghuramireddy and village leaders. As the issue was still unresolved, he handed over the responsi-Raghuramireddy prolonged negotiations with both the groups and succeeded in achieving consensus among them.

Endowment Commissioner Chandrasekhar arrived at in Matham village on Saturday morn-

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#### INTERSTATE GANG SMUGGLING GUTKA, GANJA BUSTED

DC CORRESPONDENT ANANTAPUR, JUNE 26

Police busted a three-member interstate gang involved in illegal transportation and selling of gutka from Bengaluru and Bidar centres to AP and Telangana

The one town police found that the gang was using private parcel services besides their own vehicles to smuggle gutka sachets

from Karnataka to both the Telugu states. They seized a car, gutka sachets box, 3 kg ganza and Karnataka liquor sachets.

SP Satya Esubabu told the media here on Saturday that police teams from Anantapur headquarters were alerted about the smuggling of gutka and ganza. Following a tip-off, the one town police seized a car carrying gutka, ganja and Karnataka state liquor.

#### **Government of Tamil Nadu Vellore Corporation** Re-Tender Notice Roc.No. 5239/2014/E1 Corporation Office, Vellore The Commissioner, Velore Corporation invites fenders in two cover system for the following works as per the conditions laid down in the nder natice published in website https://tntenders.gov.in Estimata Cost Rs. in Crores Name of the work (Smart City Mission) EMD Cast Rs. Providing of Road, Channel, Hi-Tech Basic Amerilles and PMC (4 Works) in Vellore City Municipal Corporation (4 Works range from 2 04 Cr. to 3.98 Cr) 11/3 of the (4 Works range from 2 04 Cr. to 3.98 Cr) 12/3 of the 2 Period of Bid Document Downloaded Date and Firms Download from website https://infenders.gov.n 09.07.2021 at 3.00 pm at The Chamber of City Engineer Vellore Pre-Bid Conference 26.07.2021 Monday - 3.00 pm at Vellore Corporation 4 Date and time and venue of Tender 5 Date, Time and Venue of opening 6 Tender document availability and other details 26.07.2021 Monday - 3.30 pm at Vellere Corporation Offic Other Details can be obtained from the tender notice published in vebsite https://intenders.gov.in or from Vellore Corporation Office For Contact | C416 - 2220578 Commissioner, Vellore Corporation

SHORT TAKES

#### **AYODHYA SHOULD MANIFEST OUR TRADITIONS: PM**

New Delhi, June 26: Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Saturday reviewed the development plan for Ayodhya and asserted that the temple town in Uttar Pradesh should manifest the "the finest of our traditions and the best of our developmental transforma-

Speaking at a virtual meeting, which was also attended by Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath, Modi described Ayodhya as a city that is etched in the cultural consciousness of every Indian and said the human ethos of this city must be matched by futuristic infrastructure.

A Prime Minister's Office (PMO) statement on the meeting said Ayodhya's development is being envisaged as a spiritual centre, global tourism hub and a sustainable

At the meeting, Uttar Pradesh government officials made a presentation which encompassed various aspects of Ayodhya' development.

The prime minister was informed about various upcoming and proposed infrastructure projects to improve connectivity with Ayodhya and various projects like airport, expansion of railway station, bus station, roads and highways were discussed, the PMO said. An upcoming greenfield township was discussed which includes lodging facilities for devotees, space for ashrams, maths, hotels, bhavans of various states.

#### CJI SEEKS STEPS **TO RESOLVE POOR CONNECTIVITY**

New Delhi, June 26: Chief Justice of India N. V. Ramana has written to Information Technology Minister Ravi Shankar Prasad seeking steps to resolve poor digital connectivity in rural, tribal and hilly areas, saying this is "adversely impacting the pace of

justice delivery".
In his letter to Prasad, who is also the minister for law and communications, Justice Ramana also referred to the "digital divide" and said "a whole generation of lawyers is being pushed out of the system" due to technological inequality. The Chief Justice of India (CJI) informed about the letter, written on June 8, while speaking on Saturday at the virtual release of a book "Anomalies in Law and Justice" authored by former Supreme Court Ju-Justice R. V.

Raveendran. During the course of a panel discussion that followed the book launch, Justice Ramana said that the issue of connectivity figured prominently at a two-day conference of chief justices of high courts that he had held recently. "Poor connectivity in rural, tribal, remote and hilly areas is adversely impacting the pace of justice delivery and is also depriving thousands of young lawyers across the country of their livelihood". — PTI

## **Tikait: Rallies if Centre** doesn't resume talks

#### Farmers mark 7 months of their agitation at Delhi borders

DC CORRESPONDENT WITH AGENCY INPUTS CHANDIGARH/NEW DELHI,

Marking the completion of seven months of agitation at Delhi's borders against the three farm laws passed by the Centre, scores of farmers from Punjab and Haryana on Saturday took out protest marches while farmers camping at Delhi's Singhu, Tikri and Ghazipur observed as

RAJIB CHOWDHURI | DC

Four days after taking a

dose of what is purported

to be Covishield at a fake

vaccination camp, and getting the racket behind

it busted with the help of

the Kolkata police, Mimi Chakraborty, Tollywood actor and Trinamul Con-

gress Jadavpur MP, fell ill

Meanwhile, to mount pressure on the Mamata

Banerjee government over the racket run by a

bogus IAS officer, alleged-

ly linked to several TMC

leaders, Leader of the

Opposition Suvendu Adh-

at home on Saturday.

**KOLKATA, JUNE 26** 

Agriculture, Democracy Day". Bharatiya Kisan Union (BKU) leader Rakesh Tikait said at least four lakh tractors and 25 lakh

farmers are ready to

march towards Delhi. However, if talks with the Centre resume, then the march will not be taken forward, he said. Mr Tikait announced two rallies in Delhi next month to intensify the protest against the Centre's three new farm

laws. Mr Tikait, who held

ikari urged the Centre to

order a probe by its agen-

cies. At around 4 am, the

MP complained of illness

which included severe

dehydration, low blood

pressure and acute stom-

ach pain. A doctor treated

her and advised her rest

with medication but sus-

pected the symptoms as

panic syndrome over the

fake Covishield dose she

got on June 22 rather than

While the Kolkata Municipal Corporation

and state health departm-

ent have launched a drive

to check the health of th-

ose who along with Mimi Chakraborty got the 'vac-

Kolkata

its side-effects.

a meeting with farmers at Delhi's Ghazipur border, said two decisions were made at the meeting. First, a batch of farmers will leave on tractors for the Singhu border from Uttar Pradesh's Shamli district on July 9. And another such rally will start from Bijnor on July 24 and will head towards Ghazipur border

via Meerut, he said. Even as farmers in several states tried to march to governors' residence

slapped attempt to mur-

der charge on three ar-

rested accused including

On Friday Adhikari

...several incriminating

wrote Union health min-

ister Harsh Vardhan,

photos suggestive of the

accused's influence in the

ruling party of West

Bengal have come to the

Firhad Hakim, West

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Chatterjee and others are

Kolkata Mayor

racketeer Debanjan Deb.

tion of seven months of their agitation. Union agriculture minister Narendra Singh Tomar on Saturday appealed to them to end their stir and offered to resume talks on the provisions of the three legislations.

# dum to mark the comple-

"I want to tell all the farmers union people that they should end their agitation. The Government of India is also ready to discuss and redress any provision of

#### Star TMC MP ill after fake vaccine cine', the Kolkata Police seen directly or indirect-

ly endorsing the activi-

ties of Debanjan..

He claimed Debanian has previously been seen posing with government of West Bengal files or hosting Duare Sarkar camps of West Bengal government in Ward 66 of KMC. In such a situation with so many influential ruling party leaders and government representatives being seen in close proximity to the accused, we have serious doubts about an impartial investigation from Kolkata Police that follows the councillor Baiswanor instructions of the same

## 'Delhi O2 claim not exaggerated'

WITH AGENCY INPUTS NEW DELHI, JUNE 26

A day after Delhi's AAP government and the BJP were locked in a battle over the national capital's oxygen crisis during the second wave of Coronavirus in April-May, three of the five members of the Supreme Court appointed team have distanced themselves from the report, with AIIMS director Randeep Guleria saying that it's not correct to say the Arvind Kejriwal government exaggerated the city's requirement.

Dr Guleria, who heads the subgroup, said, "It would not be correct to say that. Delhi oxygen audit is an interim report. We should wait for the final report. Two other members, B.S. Bhalla, Delhi government's principal home secretary, home, and Max Healthcare's Sandeep Budhiraja, have also questioned the reported conclusions of the report and said that they had raised objections against several claims that are being

"The manner in which the proceedings of the sub-group were conducted suggested that the purpose of proceedings was to satisfy a preconceived and predetermined conclusion and narrative to recommend a lower quantity of oxygen to Delhi. It was also aimed at further portraying an impression that the assessment by the GNCTD (Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi)

the Supreme Court was exaggerated or not gen-uine," Mr Bhalla had noted in a communication sent to the panel on May 31.

Max Hospital's director Sandeep Budhiraja said in his comments, included in annexure of the report, that a decision was taken in the panel's first meeting itself to get actual details of oxygen consumption from all the hospitals of NCT Delhi.

"After repeated corrections (as hospital medical superintendent used a different format), the total calculation of oxygen consumption (based on actual consumption data of 214 hospitals) came to around 490 MT. This did not take into account oxygen cylinder refilling and non-Covid requirements of hospitals,"Mr Budhiraja said. Relieved at the clarifica-

tions, chief minister Arvind Kejriwal said the acute shortage of oxygen during Covid's second wave was real and appealed for an end to political bickering and for everyone to work together so that no one suffers in the third wave. "May we work now if your fight over oxygen is finished? Let us together make a system so no one faces shortage of oxygen in the third wave. There was an acute shortage of oxygen in the second wave. It should not be so in the third wave. Corona will win if we fight with each other. The nation will win if we fight together," Mr Kejriwal tweeted.

## 22 1/2 years in jail for Chauvin

#### **Ex-cop sentenced for George Floyd murder**

Minneapolis, June 26: Former Minneapolis police Officer Derek Chauvin was sentenced Friday to 22 1/2 years in prison for the murder of George Floyd, whose dying gasps under Chauvin's knee led to the biggest outcry against racial injustice in the US in

The punishment — which came after Chauvin broke his yearlong silence to offer condolences to the Floyd family and express hope that they eventually have "some peace of mind" — is one of the longest prison terms ever imposed on a US police officer in the killing of a Black person.

Still, Floyd family members and others were disappointed. The sentence fell short of the 30 years prosecutors had requested. And with good behavior, Chauvin, 45, could get out behavior, on parole after serving twothirds of his sentence, or about 15 years. "Just about 15 years. "Just because it's the most time doesn't mean it's enough time," said Nekima Levy Armstrong, a Minneapolis

protest leader. Judge Peter Cahill went

**Dhaka, June 26:** Bangladesh has announced it will impose a tough new lock-

down starting Monday, after

a "dangerous and alarming"

surge in Delta variant cases

All government and pri-

vate offices will be shut for a

week and only medical-relat-

ed transport will be allowed,

the government said late Friday. "No one can step out

of their homes except in

emergency cases," a state-

Health department spok-

esman Robed Amin said

police and border guards

would be deployed to enforce

the lockdown and the army

alarming situation. If we

don't contain it now, we will

face an India-like situation,'

Amin said, referring to a

surge in cases in neighbour-

ing India in April and May.

"Ít is a dangerous and

may be involved if needed.

of Coronavirus.

ment added.



Derek Chauvin

beyond the 12 1/2-year sentence prescribed under state guidelines, citing Chauvin's 'abuse of a position of trust and authority and also the particular cruelty" shown to Floyd. Floyd family attorney Ben Crump said the family had gotten "some measure of accountability" but is hoping Chauvin gets the maximum at his uncoming federal civil rights trial. Crump said this was the longest sentence a police officer has ever received in Minnesota. But he added: "Real justice in America will be PoC men and PoC women and people of colour who will not have to fear being killed by the police

just because the colour of

New lockdown in B'desh

after Delta variant spike

Wellington, June 26: New

Zealand announced a three-

day suspension of its quar-

antine-free travel arrange-

ment with Australia on

Saturday, with Wellington citing "multiple" outbreaks

of Covid-19 in the neigh-

The announcement comes

as a two-week lockdown

begins in Sydney to contain

a rapidly spreading out-

break of the Delta Coron-

More than 80 cases have

been reported in Australia's

bouring country.

avirus variant.

NZ suspends travel

bubble with Oz

their skin. That would be real justice.

Outside the courthouse, a crowd of about 50 people clasped hands or placed them on each other's shoulders. The reaction was subdued as people debated whether the sentence was long enough.

Some cursed in disgust. At George Floyd Square, as the intersection where Floyd was pinned to the pavement is now known, members of the crowd broke into applause, and several said, "We'll

Chauvin was immediately led back to prison. He showed little emotion when the judge pronounced the sentence. His eyes moved rapidly around the courtroom, his Covid-19 mask obscuring much of his face.

The fired white officer was convicted in April of second-degree unintentional murder, third-degree murder and second-degree manslaughter for pressing his knee against Floyd's neck for up to 9 1/2 minutes as the 46-year-old man gasped that he couldn't breathe and went limp on May 25, 2020.

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of community cases have

also been recorded in the

Victoria and Queensland in

recent days. "But given the

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#### SHORT TAKES

#### **Injury scare for** sprinter Hima

Patiala: Star sprinter Hima Das on Saturday suffered a ham-string injury during the 100m heats at the ongoing National Inter-State Athletics Championships here, leaving her on the verge of missing out on the upcoming Tokyo Olympics. Hima, who has had a lower back injury problem for a long time, did not start in the 100m final due to the injury though she qualified for it. She did complete her heat race and finished third with a timing of 12.01 seconds during the morning session. Tt is learnt that the Assam athlete is highly unlikely to run the 200m race scheduled on Sunday as well as the women's 4x100m relay final on June 29. Hima's injury is also a big blow to 4x100m women's relay team's qualification.

#### Verstappen takes **Styrian GP pole**

Spielberg: World Championship leader Max Verstappen of Red Bull produced the quickest lap in qualifying on Saturday to claim pole position for the Styrian Grand Prix Mercedes' Valterri Bottas was second quickest but drops to fifth on the grid because of a three-place penalty imposed on Friday, leaving teammate Lewis Hamilton to start on the front row with Verstappen. McLaren's Lando Norris produced the performance of the day, pushing the front runners all the way and finishing fourth. - AFP

#### **Saurabh and Manu** clinch silver medal

Osijek (Croatia): Continuing their impressive run, the Indian duo of Saurabh Chaudhary and Manu Bhaker clinched the silver medal in the 10m air pistol mixed team event at the ISSF Shooting World Cup here on Saturday. Already assured of a silver, the Indian duo was on par with Russia's Vitalina Batsarashkina and Artem Chernousov at 12-12 before losing the last two series to go down 12-16. Representing the other Indian team, Yashaswini Singh Deswal and Abhishek Verma missed out on a bronze medal. Deswal and Verma, who qualified in the third place, were completely outplayed by Iran's Golnoush Sebghatollahi and Javad Foroughi. - PTI

#### **Champ Farah fails to qualify for Tokyo**

London: Four-time Olympic champion Mo Farah's hopes of ending his track career at the Tokyo Games ended as he fell short of the qualifying mark for the 10,000 metres in Manchester on Friday. The 38year-old won a speciallyarranged race to give him a final chance to qualify at the British Championships, but his time of 27 minutes 47 seconds was nearly 20 seconds off the time required to qualify. Farah won the 5,000m-10,000m double at the London Olympics in 2012 and repeated the feat four years later in Rio de Janeiro.

#### **Archer Verma wins** gold in World Cup

Paris: Star compound archer Abhishek Verma stunned American heavyweight Kris Schaff in a shoot-off to bag a gold medal at the Archery World Cup Stage 3 here on Saturday. Verma's effort has come two months after he along with the Indian team was stopped from board the flight for the first stage of the meet in Guatemala City following their coach's false positive Covid-19 test report. India archers are also in the fray for three more medals in the women's recurve individual,

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# DANES PARTY

## Denmark decimate Wales to enter Euro quarters

**Denmark** 

(Kasper Dolberg 27, 48, Joakim Maehle 88, Martin Braithwaite 90+4)

Wales

Amsterdam, June 26: Denmark marked the 29th anniversary of their greatest triumph marching on to the quarter-finals of Euro 2020 on Saturday as Kasper Dolberg scored twice in an Kasper

emphatic 4-0 win over Wales before an exultant travelling support in Amsterdam. In the city where Christian Eriksen made his name, it was Dolberg another former Ajax player - who opened the

scoring with a fizzing strike in the 27th minute. That came after Wales had started so well but Denmark never looked back and Dolberg struck again just after the restart before Joakim Maehle and Martin Braithwaite added

more goals late on. Carried by a wave of emotion, Danish dreams are still intact in a tournament that began in such traumatic circumstances for them with Eriksen's collapse in their opening match against Finland in Copenhagen.

They now go on to a last-eight tie in Baku against the Netherlands or the Czech Republic.

Eriksen, still recovering at home after his cardiac arrest, was present in selves but Wales -- who fin-



Denmark's Kasper Dolberg celebrates after scoring his first goal against Wales in the Euro Round of 16 match in Amsterdam on Saturday

everyone's minds at the home of Ajax, and that combined with a vast Danish support inside the one-third full Johan Cruyff Arena made this occasion really like a home game for them.

European champions against all odds when they beat Germany in the final on this day in 1992, Denmark finally have their first win in the knockout phase of a Euro since then and it would be a truly extraordinary story if they could repeat

the feat this time. Nobody in Denmark will want to get ahead of themished with 10 men after Harry Wilson's late red card — could certainly have no complaints about the outcome and there will be no repeat of their run to the semi-finals at

Euro 2016. They needed a moment of magic from captain Gareth Bale or Aaron Ramsey which never came, but in truth they were up against it from the outset.

Aside from the universal goodwill towards Denmark following Eriksen's collapse, a ban on travellers from the United Kingdom entering

there were very few Welsh supporters inside the sta-

Danes, in contrast, descended in their droves on Amsterdam, creating an atmosphere not far off that seen at the Parken Stadium in Copenhagen when they beat Russia to qualify for the last 16 even the Danish Prime

Frederiksen, was in attendance. To their credit Wales started well, with the probing Bale leading by example in the early stages. He crashed a shot just wide in the 10th

## **WELSH PRINT 'ERIKSEN' ON** THEIR JERSEY

Amsterdam, June 26: A framed Wales national team shirt with Christian Eriksen's name on it was given to Denmark captain Simon Kjaer before the teams played in the Round of 16 at the European Championship.

Eriksen collapsed on the field during Denmark's opening match at Euro 2002 and had to be resuscitated with a defibrillator.

The Wales jersey had "CHRISTIAN" written on top of Eriken's No. 10 and BRYSIA WELLA underneath. Brysia wella means get well soon in Welsh.

Kjaer, Wales captain Gareth Bale and the three match officials in Amsterdam then posed for a photo with the framed jersey moments before

The vast majority of fans at the Johan Cruyff Arena were supporting Denmark in the team's European Championship match against Wales.

Only a handful of Welsh dragon flags were visible among a sea of Danish flags. Wales fans were warned not to travel to the Netherlands because of Coronavirus restrictions in that country.



TOKYO OLYMPICS

A file photo of P.V. Sindhu carrying the Indian flag at the 2018 Commonwealth Games in Gold Coast, Australia

## Sindhu carries flag and hopes

MOSES KONDETY | DC HYDERABAD, JUNE 26

P. V. Sindhu can't wait for the Olympics to begin. The badminton ace will have the rare honour of leading the country at the world's biggest sporting spectacle when the Games begin in Tokyo next month. The Hyderabad girl will carry the tri-colour as she heads the Indian contingent at the Opening Ceremony.

"Being the flag-bearer is such a proud moment altogether," a chuffed Sindhu said.

"To think that you would be carrying the national flag and leading the Indian contingent at the opening ceremony is staggering. I am thrilled and excited because that sort of opportunity is rare... it's a huge honour," the 25-year-old said during an interaction post her talk at TEDxYouth@SuchitraAca organised Suchitra Academy International School in

Hyderabad on Saturday. The Covid pandemic may have pulled everyone back a bit but the gritty girl is gung-ho. "I am emotionally attached since the entire country is showing support and wanting me to get the medal. I am really looking forward to doing that," the Khel Ratna awardee

said. Preparations are in full swing. "Since February I have been practicing at the Gachibowli Stadium, which is the same as the

New Delhi, June 26:

first-ever Indian swim-

mer to qualify for the Olympic Games by breaching the 'A' standard

time, clocking 1:56:38 sec-

onds in the men's 200m

butterfly event at the Sette Colli Trophy in

Rome, Italy. The Games 'A'

standard was set at 1:56.48

ited Olympic qualifier.

Prakash also rewrote his own national record

became

Sajan Prakash

Saturday

one in Tokyo where the badminton events will be held. The venue has come in handy to get myself used to the air-conditioning and flight of the shuttle. I am thankful to the government, the Sports Authority and the badminton association for the facility. Whenever I asked for permission to practice, they readily granted my request," Sindhu said.

"In the evenings, I go to the Suchitra Academy, which is like a second home to me, for my recovery sessions — pool, icebath, gym and running that are very much needed as there is not much time left for the Games," Sindhu added.

Suchitra Academy also provides her with sparring partners of different styles and skills — left, right-handed, aggressive, defensive, et al. Everyday there are different players and Sindhu has been up against two, sometimes three, opponents at a time as she gears up to take on the world.

The pressure is intense though. "This Olympics will definitely be different compared to Rio 2016 (where she won silver). Now, everyone wants me to get a medal wherever I play, so yes, there is pressure and we have to deal with it. At the end of the Olympics Olympics — right up there. We have to be prepared for everything and anything,'

Portugal's Cristiano Ronaldo arrives in Seville, Spain, for the Euro Last 16 match against Belgium.

#### **HEAD TO HEAD**

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# Belgium & Portugal in clash of heavyweights

felt the full range of emotions during the Euro 2020 group stage and with Cristiano Ronaldo in the groove again, they can really begin to believe.

After scoring three late goals to beat Hungary, Portugal were shaken by a 4-2 loss to Germany, only for a 2-2 draw against France to restore morale and ensure they snuck out of Group F in third place The result is a last-16 clash with Belgium in Seville on Sunday, when one of the tournament favourites will bow out in what is surely the block-

buster tie of the round. One of the frontrunners for the Golden Boot will fall too, with Ronaldo and Belgium's Romelu Lukaku contention. Ronaldo leads the scoring charts on five goals with Lukaku not far behind on

three. Portugal may have taken only a point from a sweaty contest with France at the Puskas Arena in Budapest but the belief and confidence gained from going toe-to-toe with the world champions could be pivotal for the rest of their tourna-

chaos against After Germany came concentration against the French, a committed, organised and performance aggressive which was a reminder of what carried Portugal to success at Euro 2016 and in the Nations League three years later.

'We were strong and consistent. The players helped each other, we had posses-



Belgian footballer Eden Hazard during a training session.

sion, we attacked well. We improved a lot from the game against Germany," Portugal's coach Fernando Santos afterwards.

Santos had responded too, reacting to criticism by reverting to his traditional 4-3-3 system of the past two years and making some bold changes to his starting

#### **CZECH FAVOURITES AGAINST DUTCH**

The Czech Republic will enter Sunday's last-16 game against the Netherlands at Euro 2020 as the odds-on favourites, at least when it comes to the history of their head-to-head encoun-

Since the Czech Republic

emerged as an independent state in 1993, their national team have won five games and lost three against the Dutch, on top of three draws.

Before Czechoslovakia memorably beat the Netherlands on the way to their only European Championship title in Belgrade in 1976, having edged Johan Cruyff and company 3-1 after extra time in the semi-final.

Czechoslovakia were not there to stop the Dutch when they won the 1988 title in West Germany. But Czech fans cherish above all the memory of an epic battle at Euro 2004 in Portugal, won by the

Czechs 3-2. -AFP

seconds and the 27-vearold Prakash completed the run 0.10 seconds faster at the Fina-accred-



Sajan Prakash

of 1:56.96s that he had set last week at the Belgrade Trophy swimming competition. This will be Prakash's second successive Olympics, having represented India in the 2016 Rio Games.

## Sachin bills Jamieson as top all-rounder

New Delhi, June 26: Kyle Jamieson has the ability to become one of the leading all-rounders in world cricket in days to come, reckons legendary Sachin Tendulkar after watching the giant Black Cap torment India's best batsmen in the recently concluded World Test Championship Final.

In New Zealand's emphatic title triumph, Zealand's Jamieson played a major role with match figures of 7 for 61 in 44 overs along with 21 valuable runs in his team's first essay. 'Kyle Jamieson is a fan-

tastic all-rounder. He is

going to go on and become

one of the leading all-

rounders in world cricket," Tendulkar said on his YouTube channel. 'When I had seen him

last year in NZ, he impressed me," the maes-He then elaborated on

why playing Jamieson in

English conditions made him even more lethal. "If you see his bowling,

**Kyle Jamieson** 

he is very tall and more than swinging, he likes to bowl seaming deliveries. He is a different bowler compared to Tim Southee, Trent Boult and Neil

"Jamieson hits the deck hard and whatever he does, is off the seam. There were variations which he used where he angled is wrists and bowled big inswingers. There was reasonable

and what I liked was consistency," Tendulkar said. Tendulkar also liked how Jamieson used his height to play the big

"His partnership with Williamson was critical one for New Zealand. He chose to attack from ball one and used his height beautifully. A tall batter, who can get on to the

statement. 'That kind of unsettles bowler and they have to

front-foot and makes a big

pull back their lengths because batter is using his height. When the ball has to come chin high, then length has to be short and variation in his bowling that gives batter chance to play horizontal bat shots and that's what Jamieson exactly did. Anything off length, he used his height beautifully, stood tall and played most of them.'

On the Indian front, Tendulkar felt that Virat Kohli and Cheteshwar Pujara's dismissal in the first hour on sixth day became decisive

## Shafali all set to make ODI debut

**SAJAN CREATES HISTORY,** 

sensation Shafali Verma is set to make her eagerlyanticipated ODI debut as the Indian women's team seeks white-ball course correction against a strong world champion English side in the first game of the three-match series, here on Sunday. The 17-year-old batting sensation, who has taken world cricket by storm, has so far played 22 T20 Internationals but was inexplicably not picked for the last home series

Women, with India witnessing disastrous consequences.

India lost 1-4 against South Africa and there was a lot of debate about Shafali's omission from series. No harakiri is expected to be committed by the Indian team management, which now understands Shafali's true value all the more after her stellar Test debut against England last week

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The idea of starting a company was instilled in our minds while having fun with technology. We innovated round the clock at the student-run Next Tech Lab. No other university has such a feature. Moreover, our semester abroad programme at **UC Berkeley, USA**, where we learnt entrepreneurship and won awards were the defining moments in our lives.

- Sourav Sanyal, Miran Junaidi, and Saurabh Ghanekar, B.Tech (CSE)



## **ENTREPRENEURIAL ECOSYSTEM**



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200+ Mentors and Venture Capitalists STUDENT RUN LABS

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Carnegie Mellon, UC Berkeley, Georgia Tech, NUS, Eion & Hackathons and Gaming in USA, Sweden and India

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15%

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