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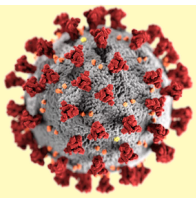
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**Coimbatore
Tomorrow**

Day

Mostly cloudy; very
warm with low humidity



Night

Partly cloudy

Max

39

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**This Holi, let's
strive to strengthen
bonds of friendship
and amity: Vice
Prez Naidu**

**NEW DELHI, MAR 17
(PTI)**

Extending greetings on the eve of Holi, Vice President M Venkaiah Naidu on Thursday said on the occasion of the festival of colours people should strive to strengthen the bonds of friendship and amity that hold the society together.

Celebrated with traditional fervour and enthusiasm throughout the country, Holi is the time for family and friends to come together and rejoice in the spirit of the spontaneous, joyful celebration of life, he said in his message. "The lighting of the bonfire on the eve of Holi symbolises the triumph of virtue over evil. On the auspicious occasion of Holi, let us strive to strengthen the bonds of friendship and amity that hold our society together," Naidu said. The vice president hoped the festival brings peace, harmony, prosperity and happiness to people's lives.

**Pramod Sawant pays tributes to former Goa
CM Manohar Parrikar on his death anniversary**

PANAJI, MAR 17 (PTI)

Goa's caretaker Chief Minister Pramod Sawant and other leaders paid tributes to former state CM Manohar Parrikar on his death anniversary on Thursday.

Senior BJP leader Parrikar died on March 17, 2019 after battling cancer.

Bhai (Parrikar) was a source of inspiration, someone I could always look up to, Sawant told reporters after paying floral tributes at Parrikar's memorial at Miramar beach near Panaji.

He did not only bring me into the political arena, but guided me time and again on serving the people with



sincerity and impeccable integrity, he said.

BJP MLA Vishwajit Rane said Goa still misses Parrikar and the development seen in the coastal state is

because of him. Manohar Parrikar's elder son Utpal Parrikar was among various leaders who arrived at Miramar to pay homage to the former CM.

Health Ministry on alert as COVID surges in China

NEW DELHI, MAR. 17

Union Health Minister Mansukh Mandaviya chaired a high-level meeting on the rising number of Covid cases in China and other countries, according to reports. The Union Health Minister has directed officials for strict compliance in three aspects including alertness on the case log, intensified surveillance of infection and aggressive genome sequencing.

The meeting was attended by top doctors, the Health Secretary, Department of Biotechnology (DBT) Secretary, NCDC Chief and Drug Controller



General of India. The Indian government is monitoring the situation closely about the new wave in Covid-19 cases being reported in China, South Korea, Singapore, and a few European countries. China on Tuesday had

reported 5,280 new coronavirus cases, the most since the pandemic began. It faces its biggest outbreak so far since the early days of the pandemic. The country has announced a series of lockdowns in cities such as Beijing and Shenzhen city. Chinese health authorities have indicated that the surge is being driven by the Omicron BA.2 "stealth" subvariant, the most infectious lineage yet of the SARS-Cov-2 virus. It is significant that not only China but there has been a surge in coronavirus cases across Western Europe, US, Germany and South Korea, among others.

Runner up of Miss World 2021 Shree Saini is an Indian American

NEW DELHI, MAR. 17

Karolina Bielawska from Poland was announced the Miss World 2021 on March 17. The Miss World 2019, Toni-Ann Singh of Jamaica, crowned her the 70th winner of the coveted title at the Coca-Cola Music Hall in San Juan, Puerto Rico.

While India's Manasa Varanasi couldn't make it to the Top 13 list, Indian-American Shree Saini from the United States became the First Runner Up. The news was announced on the official Twitter page of Miss World. "Our newly crowned Miss World Karolina Bielawska from Poland with 1st Runner Up Shree Saini from United States 2nd Runner up Olivia Yace from Côte d'Ivoire," they tweeted.

Manasa Varanasi represented India at



the Miss World 2021 pageant. She made it to the top 13 contestants. India last bagged the Miss World crown in 2017, when Manushi Chhillar won the title.

After G-23 meeting, Rahul Gandhi meets Congress veteran Bhupinder Singh Hooda

**NEW DELHI, MAR 17
(PTI)**

A day after the crucial meeting of G-23 leaders, former Congress president Rahul Gandhi on Thursday met Bhupinder Singh Hooda and is learnt to have discussed revamping the party and the way forward following its loss in five Assembly elections.

G-23 is a group of dissenting Congress leaders who have demanded organisational overhaul.

After the meeting, Hooda, the former chief minister of Haryana, visited Ghulam



Nabi Azad, a part of the G-23, at the latter's residence.

Hooda and Azad were

reported to have discussed concrete proposals to strengthen the Congress and ensure collective leadership and decision making as demanded by the grouping which met on Wednesday and signed a joint statement.

Sources said Deputy Leader of the Congress in Rajya Sabha and another G 23 leader Anand Sharma also joined Hooda at Azad's residence in the deliberations.

The grouping had yesterday said the "only way forward for the Congress was to adopt a model of inclusive and collective leadership and

decision making at all levels."

The G-23 sources said they want to strengthen the Congress and "not undermine it in any way."

Rahul Gandhi's meeting with Hooda is significant in the context of the G23 statement and the telephonic conversation Azad had with Sonia Gandhi on Wednesday to convey the intentions of the meeting at his residence.

Sources said Azad was likely to meet Sonia Gandhi with proposals soon and discussions were underway on course correction within the party.

Never lose sight of the goal of evolving India into modern, self-reliant nation: PM to IAS trainees

**DEHRADUN, MAR 17
(PTI)**

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Thursday asked trainee officers at Mussorie's Lal Bahadur Shastri National Academy of Administration to never lose sight of the biggest goal of evolving India into a modern and self-reliant country.

Besides developing itself, India has to play a bigger role in the new world order emerging post-Covid pandemic, he said at the valedictory session of the 96th Common Foundation Course of the institute.

"I have interacted with several batches of civil services trainees but your batch is special because you have done it in the year when India completes 75 years of Independence. When the country completes 100 years of its Independence you will be in service," he said.

Asking trainee officers



to never let go of their sense of service and duty, Modi said they should keep asking themselves throughout their careers whether they are losing these two qualities.

"The sense of authority and power harms both individuals and institutions," he said. The prime minister also asked the trainee officers to always bear in mind that the country has to take the motto of reform, perform and transform to the next level. "When you go in the field you

should not hesitate in taking a decision that you think might make a difference in the life of the man standing on the lowermost rung of the social ladder," the prime minister said. He also advised them not to treat the data contained in the files brought to them when they go out in the field as just figures, saying they are related to individuals and their dreams. "Try to understand the rationale behind a system in relation to the time in which it was established. When you

understand the logic behind a system you can come up with permanent solutions," Modi said. "You are going to be part of a positive social change. So try to develop leadership quality and a team spirit. It is mandatory for bringing about any major change," he said.

Before starting his address Modi inaugurated a new sports complex at the Academy besides dedicating to the nation a revamped Happy Valley Outdoor Complex.

College students stage protest against hijab verdict

COIMBATORE, MAR. 17

Students of Government Arts College in Coimbatore staged a protest on Thursday condemning the Karnataka High Court verdict on the hijab ban.

The Karnataka High Court has ruled that the ban on wearing the hijab in educational institutions will continue. More than 50 students of the Coimbatore Government Arts College staged a protest in front of the college premises condemning the verdict.

The protesters raised slogans condemning the BJP and the RSS, condemning the Karnataka High Court ruling.

They called on for the quashing of the



order stating that wearing a hijab was an individual right. The protest will continue till the Karnataka High Court reverses the verdict, they said.

Emirati- flagged cargo ship sinks in Persian Gulf off Iran



**DUBAI, MAR 17
(PTI)**

An Emirati-flagged cargo ship has sunk in the Persian Gulf.

Capt. Nizar Qaddoura, the operations manager of the Salem Al Makrani Cargo company, confirmed the Al Salmi 6 had sunk Thursday off Iran.

He said said that rescuers had saved 16 crew members. Another 11 had made it onto a life raft, while one person was saved by a nearby tanker. Two crew members were still in the water.

Iranian state media said Iranian searchers were trying to rescue those at sea.



MSME Rehabilitation Expert Committee to facilitate development for the MSMEs that are affected by the pandemic submitted its report to the Chief Minister MK Stalin at the Secretariat. Committee Chief Sundharadevan, MSME Minister Anbarasan, Chief Secretary Irai Anbu, other officials were present.

Kashmir Files: Mehbooba slams Centre of ill intentions

SRINAGAR, MAR 17

The Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) chief Mehbooba Mufti on Wednesday slammed the Government of India for the rampant promotions of the BJP leaders including Chief Ministers and for that matter, the Prime minister himself lauded the filmmakers.

"The manner in which GOI is aggressively promoting Kashmir Files & is weaponising pain of Kashmiri Pandits makes their ill intention obvious. Instead of healing old wounds & creating a conducive atmosphere between the two communities, they are deliberately tearing them apart," Mufti said on Twitter.

Written and directed by Vivek Agnihotri and produced by Zee Studios, the film depicts the exodus of Kashmiri Pandits from the valley in the 1990s. It stars Anupam Kher, Darshan Kumar, Mithun Chakraborty and Pallavi Joshi among others.

Many BJP-ruled states including Uttar Pradesh have let the movie into their states 'tax-free'. Talking to the next level, Assam Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma announced that state government employees can avail a half-day leave to watch the movie. "Glad to announce that our Govt employees will be entitled for half-day special leave to watch

#TheKashmirFiles. They will have to only inform their superior officers and submit the tickets the next day(sic)," he said.

Speaking at the BJP parliamentary party meeting in Delhi, PM Modi took a jibe at the critics of the films and said that they are furious because the recently-released movie is foregrounding the truth that was deliberately kept hidden.

"The entire Jamaat (gang) that raised the flag of freedom of expression has been furious for 5-6 days. Instead of reviewing the film on the basis of facts and art, there's a conspiracy to discredit it," he said.

Karnataka ACB raids unearth unaccounted cash, assets from 18 officers

BENGALURU, MAR 17 (PTI)

In a major crackdown against government officials accused of amassing wealth disproportionate to their known sources of income, the Anti-Corruption Bureau in Karnataka on Wednesday raided 18 officers across 75 locations in 10 districts, including Bengaluru, ACB officials said. The ACB teams comprising 100 officers and 300 personnel swooped down on the government officials in a coordinated way at daybreak.

Sources in the ACB said a note counting machine and 3.17 kg of sandalwood was found from Badami range forest officer Shivananda Khedagi in the district headquarters town of Bagalkote. The ACB sleuths detected 450 grams of gold, 5 kg silver ornaments, 25 acre land, 12 residential plots and Rs 1.5 lakh cash from Shirastedar of Gadag district B S Annigeri. The gold ornaments were allegedly hid in the dustbin to escape the glare of ACB officials. The ACB said those who were raided on Wednesday include Additional Commissioner Transport in Bengaluru Gnanendra Kumar; BDA Town Planning Officer Rakesh Kumar; Range Forest Officer of Yadgir, Ramesh Kankatte; executive engineer of Gokak Basavaraj Shekar Reddy Patil; and Vijayapura Nirmithi Kendra project manager Gopinath Malagi and many others.

SDPI demands release of Muslim life convicts



COIMBATORE, MAR. 17

A letter was on Wednesday sent to the Chief Minister on behalf of the Coimbatore unit of SDPI (Social Democratic Party of India) in Coimbatore demanding the release of Muslim prisoners who have been sentenced to life imprisonment.

The SDPI has been launching campaigns across

Tamil Nadu calling for the release of Muslim prisoners who have been sentenced to life imprisonment be released on parole.

As part of this, an event was held on behalf of the Coimbatore District SDPI to send letters received during the campaign in Coimbatore to the Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu. The event, held at the Chief Post Office on Goodshed Road, was chaired

by Regional Head Raja Hussain.

District General Secretary Abdul Qadir, District Secretary Mohammad Isac and District Treasurer Mohammad Iqbal presided over the function. The event was attended by SDPI District General Secretary Hussein, Spokesperson Mansoor, area executives Shadhatullah, Sheikh Fareed and Arshad among others.

VCET NSS Special Camp held



ERODE MARCH 17:

The valedictory of the special NSS camp of the Velalar College of Engineering and Technology was held at the Panchayat Union Primary School, M. Pudupalayam. The service included tree planting, temple premises cleaning, road safety awareness, pollution control awareness, school perimeter wall cleaning and painting, school noonmeal centre painting, free general medical, eye treatment camp, computer and English training for school

students. The College Secretary SD Chandrasekhar, Principal Dr. M. Jayaraman, Dean Prof. P. Jayachandran, presented prizes to the school students who won in various competitions.

The event was attended by the Panchayat President, Vice President, PTA President, HM of the school N Ranganayaki. NSS officers M. Govindarajan S. Pooranachandran made arrangements for the camp.

Goa, Manipur Chief Ministers meet PM

NEW DELHI, MAR 17 (PTI)

Goa and Manipur Chief Ministers Pramod Sawant and N Biren Singh met Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Wednesday amid indications that the BJP leadership is likely to put its faith again in them for leading the new government in their states following the party's thumping win in the recent assembly polls.

After meeting Singh, Modi tweeted that he congratulated him on the party's stupendous victory, asserting that it is committed to working even harder to fulfil the aspirations of the people of Manipur.

"Our party is grateful to the people of Goa for blessing us yet again with the mandate to serve the state. We will keep working for Goa's progress in the times to come," Modi said after meeting Sawant.



Top BJP leaders, including Modi, Union ministers Amit Shah and Rajnath Singh, and party president J P Nadda, have held extensive parleys in the last few days, working out the broad outlines of the new governments in four states, including Uttar Pradesh and Uttarakhand, ahead of the swearing-in ceremonies expected next week.

Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath

is set to head the new government, while the fate of Uttarakhand Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami has come under question as he lost his seat even though the BJP romped home with over two-thirds majority.

Party sources said the deliberative exercise is aimed at ensuring that the new state governments send out a positive message about their governance agenda as well as social representation.

No need for special recruitment drives in Railways: Centre

NEW DELHI, MAR 17 (PTI)

The Centre on Wednesday ruled out special recruitment drives for filling vacancies of scheduled castes and scheduled tribes in Railways.

Replying to supplementaries in the Lok Sabha, Railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw said the Railways has been recruiting personnel at regular intervals and there was no need to launch special drives.

He said the last special recruitment drive by the Railways was held in 2008 to clear the backlog of vacancies of SCs, STs and OBCs.

In pursuance of Special



Recruitment Drive launched in the year 2008 as per the directives of DOP&T, as many as 14868 backlog vacancies [SCs (4003), STs (4143) & OBCs (6722)] were identified for clearance in a time-bound manner and the same had been fully cleared as on 31.03.2017. Vaishnaw said. He said since

2010, the recruitment process in Railways was being done regularly through authorised recruiting agencies namely Railway Recruitment Boards (RRBs) and Railway Recruitment Cells (RRCs).

The shortfall or backlog vacancies of SCs, STs and OBCs left unfilled are taken care of in the subsequent recruitment cycle, Vaishnaw said. He said the Railways is having on-line recruitment and the process is being expedited.

A total of 1,40,713 vacancies, including 20,944 SC and 10,930 ST, are presently under recruitment for level-1 to level-7, the minister said.

Coimbatore Mayor inaugurates COVID vaccination for minors



COIMBATORE, MAR. 17

Coimbatore Mayor Kalpana Anandakumar on Wednesday inaugurated the Corona Vaccination Camp for children between the ages of 12 and 14 at Chettiveedhi Corporation High School, Central Zone, Coimbatore.

Following this, she spoke to the public that the vaccine is essential to protect against corona infection. Covid-19 vaccines Covshield and Covaxin are being distributed at all government primary health centres in the Coimbatore district. Vaccines are provided 24 hours a day in government hospitals and government medical college hospitals, the mayor added.

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The precautionary booster dose is being given to health workers, other frontline personnel and those over 60 years of age who have crossed 90 days time since administering the second instalment. Mega vaccination camp is also being held weekly on Saturdays. So far 24 camps have been held. Of this, 17.84 lakh people have benefited. It is currently planned to vaccinate children between the ages of 12 and 14. The Corbevax vaccine will be given exclusively for this purpose. Of these, 1,02,200 children between the ages of 12 and 14 in the Coimbatore district are expected to benefit from the vaccine, which is scheduled to be given from today. The second dose of this vaccine should be given 28 days later. The government has provided 1,04,100 doses of the vaccine," she said.

HC terms use of mobile phones in govt offices as 'grave misconduct,' asks TN govt to restrict usage

MADURAI, MAR 17 (PTI)

The Madras High Court has termed the usage of mobile phones and taking videos inside government offices as "a grave misconduct," and directed the Tamil Nadu government to issue appropriate instructions regulating their use during office hours.

Justice SM Subramaniam also directed that strict action be initiated against violation of the circular/instructions in this connection.

The court's directions came while hearing into the plea by a state government official challenging her suspension for filming her colleagues during work hours that allegedly led to a dispute, leaving one person injured.

However, the Court cannot conduct enquiry in respect of such allegations, which all are to be gone into by the Disciplinary Authority at the time of enquiry. Since there were allegations and counter allegations, the competent authority has to conduct a detailed probe based on the documents and evidence available as the charges are serious in nature, the court said.



"This Court is of the considered opinion that using mobile phones by the public servants during office hours has become nowadays a normal scenario. Using mobile phones and taking videos inside the office is a grave misconduct. The officials working in the Government Departments should never be allowed to use mobile phones inside the office for their personal use," the judge noted.

If any emergency call has to be attended, proper permission must be obtained from superiors to go out from the office and use mobile phones. "In all circumstances, the mobile phones must be either switched off or kept in vibration/silent mode, without

causing any disturbance or nuisance to the public, who all are attending the office as well as the other officials working in the office. This must be the minimum discipline to be followed in the Government Offices. Such allegations of using mobile cameras inside the office very frequently is causing disturbance and no doubt, this will disrupt the functioning of the public offices in the departments," he added.

The Government should take serious note of this and the first respondent--Secretary to Government, Health, Medical and Family Welfare Department--has to issue appropriate circular/instructions to all the government offices to ensure

the mobile phones are either kept in a common cloakroom at the time of entering into the office and for emergency calls, the official numbers kept in the office are to be utilised.

"In the event of allowing the employees to use mobile phones, without any restriction inside the office or allowing them to use mobile cameras inside the office, the same will result in serious consequences, even amongst the employees and the public, who all are attending the office," the court said.

On being informed that many public servants were using mobile phones and cameras in the government offices, the judge expressed surprise over the same, wondering "whether the employees are using mobile phones during office hours or performing their duties and responsibilities as allotted to them."

"If such indiscipline and misconduct are allowed to be continued, no doubt, they are committing the greatest sin to the public by getting tax payers' money as a huge salary," he said. In its orders, the court rejected any relief to the petitioner. It also

directed the respondents to issue appropriate circular/instructions to all the subordinate officers/officials across Tamil Nadu regulating the usage of mobile phones and mobile cameras inside the office premises during office hours.

"In the event of any violation of the Guidelines / Instructions to be formulated, strict actions are to be initiated under the relevant Tamil Nadu Government Servants' Conduct Rules, 1973," the court said.

Exceptions are to be carved out for usage of official mobile phones and telephones by the Field Officers and those authorised for such purpose, the judge added.

"The above exercise is directed to be done by the respondents 1 to 3, within a period of four weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order," the judge said and disposed of the petition.

The Director of Public Health and Preventive Medicine and The Director, Tamil Nadu State Health Transport Department were the second and third respondents, respectively.



Chief Minister MK Stalin released the book 'The Secret of Smile' written by Hema Meenatchi, the daughter of R Thirunavukarasu who is the Police Commissioner for the CM's Special Cell.

New chairman, Dy chairman for CII South

CHENNAI MAR 17

MsSuchitra K Ella, Co-Founder and Joint Managing Director, Bharat Biotech International Ltd, Hyderabad and Mr Kamal Bali, President & Managing Director, Volvo Group India, Bangalore have been elected as Chairman and Deputy Chairman of CII Southern Region respectively.

Ms Ella has been closely associated with CII holding the position of Deputy Chairperson of CII Southern Region for the year 2021-22. She was the Past Chairperson of CII Andhra Pradesh in 2012-13. She was also the Founding Chairwoman of



MR KAMAL BALI, DEPUTY CHAIRMAN

CII IWN Southern Region during 2013-15 and was also the CII National Council Member and Founding & Past National Chairwoman of IWN from 2015-18. Mr Bali is an active member of CII. He



MS SUCHITRA K ELLA, CHAIRPERSON

was the Past Chairman of CII Karnataka for the year 2017-18. He was also the Chairman, Manufacturing Sub-Committee, CII-SR 2020-21 and Co-Chairman, Entrepreneurs & Startup Forum in 2019-20.

13 projects under SGP to improve port and supply chain performance: KPL CMD

CHENNAI MAR 17

As many as 13 initiatives related to capacity addition, connectivity, dredging etc., are being implemented under Prime Minister Gati Shakti Plan completion of which will improve ports performance and also the entire logistic supply chain said Mr.Sunil Paliwal, Chairman cum Managing Director, Kamarajar Port Limited (KPL).

Delivering key note address at a multi-stakeholders' outreach programme on recently, Prime Minister Gati Shakti plan Mr. Mr.Sunil Paliwal said, Chennai Port has identified 7 initiatives which include, construction of bunker Berth at Bharathi Dock, Development of the Goods Shed facility at Jolarpet, New Elevated



Road from Chennai Port to Maduravoyal, Development of Multimodal Logistics Park at Mappedu, Development of Buffer Parking yard for Container Trailers at BDII (Berth No. 24B), Direct entry from reception line to Centre Yard and CONCOR Yard to center yard to avoid double handling and Electrification of Railway lines with top wiring for

engine on load concept at Western Yard.Kamarajar Port has identified 6 Initiatives viz., Development of Common User Marine Liquid Terminal-II on DBFOT basis, Modification of existing Iron Ore Terminal to also handle coal, Construction of Container Terminal Phase-I-stage-II, Construction of IOCL Captive Jetty, Development of Ro-Ro cum

General Cargo Berth- II and Dredging Plan- Phase-IV(A). Completion, these initiatives will lead to tremendous improvement not only in ports performance but also in entire logistic supply chain he said. Mr. S. Krishnan, IAS, Additional Chief Secretary, Industries Department, Govt. of Tamil Nadu in his special address stated that the state logistics Coordination

Committee headed by Chief Secretary, Government of Tamil Nadu was monitoring the coordinated development and implementation of all initiatives under State Logistic Plan. He assured active participation of Government of Tamil Nadu in achieving the objectives of Prime Minister Gati Shakti plan.

Mason sentenced to 7 years RI

ERODE MAR 17:

Erode Mahila Court Judge Malathi sentenced a mason Raju alias Sidharasu 30 of Modakurichi to 7 years rigorous imprisonment for abducting and sexually harassing a 6th std student of Erode on August

16 2018. Following a complaint from her parents, Erode all women police registered a case. The judge slapped a fine of Rs 5000 on him and recommended to the government to give a compensation of Rs 50000 to her within a month.

Yarn price for current fortnight fixed

ERODE MARCH 17:

Spinning Mill Owners 'Association, the Federation of Tamil Nadu Powerloom Associations, and the Palladam Powerloom Manufacturers' Association have already decided to fix the price of yarn twice a month. Accordingly, for March 16 to 31, they have decided to fix Rs 230 per kg for 30 count yarn, Rs 232 for yarn used in automatic loom, and Rs 235 for Vortex type yarn.

Bookings for required

quantity of yarn for the period till 6 pm March 21 can be made by remitting 5 to 10 percent as advance payment and remit the balance when the yarn is taken.

This price is only applicable to those who have booked within the specified days. Besides, according to the quality of the yarn, the price of some mills would higher by a few rupees, the Powerloom federation media coordinator Kandhavel said.

New JR Co-op Societies assumes office

ERODE MAR 17:

K. Rajkumartook charge as the Joint Registrar of Erode Region Co-operative Societies, replacing Prabhu,

Deputy Director, who held the post so far. K. Rajkumar was transferred from Thiruvannamalai Region Co-operative Societies.

Public utility places auctioned for Rs 2.5 cr

ERODE MARCH 17:

The toll collection and lease rights for the vegetable market, weekly, daily markets, commercial complexes, shops, auto, call taxi stands, toilet collection etc of Erode Corporation are auctioned for every three years. Accordingly, the auction for the year 2022-2024 was held at Erode Corporation on the presence of Corporation Executive Engineer Vijayakumar and Assistant Commissioner (Accounts) Kumaresan presided.

The daily vegetable market at the Erode VOC ground was auctioned for Rs 2, 33,1,000. It was last auctioned for Rs 1,98,45,000. Now, an additional 15 percent is netted under the head.

Erode Netaji Road, Hemingway, Thangaperumal Road, Nilgiris Lane, and Periyar Nagar Weekly Markets were auctioned for Rs. 4.20 lakhs. Last time, they were auctioned for Rs 1.30 lakh.

Erode bus stand auto stand fee collection right auctioned for Rs 77500 and Erode Gandhiji Road Call Taxi Stand for Rs 81000. Both were auctioned off for 10 percent more than last time. Erode Periyasemur toilet auctioned for Rs 55000, Bharathi Nagar toilet Rs 42,500, RKV Road Commercial Complex Shop, Kamarajar Road Commercial Complex First Side Shops, and 3 shops in Bus Stand's West Side First Floor, were auctioned. Of 8 revenue heads, 7 heads were auctioned. Through this, the corporation has got a revenue of Rs 2.50 crore.

Cleaning work should be held in the central bus stand by the licensees of toll collection rights from buses. So, no one took part in the auction. The contractors demanded that the auction for toll collection rights for buses be held separately. So, the auction for it was postponed without mentioning the next date for auction.



Tiruppur District Collector Dr Vineeth inaugurated the Corona Vaccination Camp for children between the ages of 12 and 14 at Government Girls' Higher Secondary School, Avinashi.

Over 150 countries to take part in 44th Chess Olympiad, says TN CM

CHENNAI, MAR 17 (PTI)

The 44th Chess Olympiad, to be held in Mahabalipuram about 58 km from here, would see participation of over 150 countries and the tournament would be the biggest-ever sports event to have happened in India, Tamil Nadu Chief Minister M K Stalin said on Wednesday.

The Chief Minister, who announced that Tamil Nadu would host the international event, claimed this Olympiad would be a milestone in the history of the State. "Tamil Nadu has got the opportunity to host the 44th Chess Olympiad. This is a proud moment for all Tamils," he said. The Chief Minister who took to his microblogging site to make the announcement said, "Sports are all about one's potent, talent, beauty and much more. Chess in particular is an amazing game

Stalin claimed that the event would take Tamil Nadu's hospitality and culture to the global arena and said he has resolved to conduct this Chess Olympiad in a great manner and welcomed all the chess wizards from across the globe.

which is about the steady focus of the participants and the nail-biting thrill enjoyed by the spectators."

Tamil Nadu, he said, is deeply connected to this amazing game. Starting from world-renowned Grand Master Viswanathan Anand to the young prodigy Praggnandhaa, Tamil Nadu has been continuously producing worldclass players. "This tournament, which will see participants from over 150 countries across the globe, will be the biggest ever sports event to have happened in India," he said and thanked the FIDE and AICF for this

historic opportunity," he said.

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The Olympiad has moved out of Russia after it invaded neighbouring Ukraine last month. Meanwhile, the world chess governing body on Wednesday suspended Russia and Belarus teams from FIDE competitions until further notice. Stating that the organisers would have to

race against time to hold this event in four months, Sanjay Kapoor, president of All India Chess Federation (AICF), said it would be held from July 26 to August 8.

Bharat Chauhan, secretary, AICF, told reporters here that the Chief Minister accorded approvals within five minutes and he had obtained the (sanction) letter within few hours after initiating the discussion with the government officials. He claimed that sufficient number of rooms have already been blocked to accommodate the participants in Mahabalipuram.

"We will follow all COVID-19 safety norms stipulated by the government," he replied to a question.

Chief Secretary V Irai Anbu, who was present on the occasion, assured all help on behalf of the government in conducting the event.

Water Technologies to expand its footprint with hi-tech device

COIMBATORE, MAR 17

With the successful soft launch of its flagship water rejuvenating device with initial installations in 25-plus agricultural and dairy farms in the districts of Coimbatore and Erode, Water Technologies Pvt Ltd is further expanding its service in South and a few States in the North.

The made-in-India water-structuring device- JIVA - energises stressed water and revives soil and the installation in two districts showed improvement of soil quality and crop yield, the founder of the company and water scientist Dr Krishna Madappa told reporters

here on Wednesday.

"We have developed tech scientific devices named JIVA, which is fitted onto domestic and agricultural pipes, pumps through which normal water is made to pass a three-step bio- engineering process that increases the energy-level and makes water the most natural and nourishing commodity," said Madappa.

Majority of the farmers have said the water used for irrigation was polluted and of poor quality. Of the 100 farmers, 25 installed the device on their farms and more were expected to sign up in the coming days, he said.

Local holiday on March 22

ERODE MAR 17:

Collector H Krishnan unni announced local holiday on March 22 for all government offices and educational institutions in Erode district due to the kundam festival of Bannari Amman temple, Sathy.

He said if the exams in college and schools have already been announced, this holiday does not apply to them and the exams will take place as announced. The holiday does not apply to banks and treasuries.

To make up for this holiday, all government offices and educational institutions in the district

will function on March 26.

Splbuses: Hesaidspecial buses will be operated by the TNSCTC ahead of the Panguni Uthiram festival from Erode, Anthiyur, Kodumudi, Karur, Bhavani, Gopi, Sathyamangalam and Salem to Palani from March 17. Similarly, special buses will run from Coimbatore, Mettupalayam, Tiruppur, Erode, Gobi, Kavunthappadi, Bhavani, Sathya mangalam, Puliya patti, Mysore, Nambiyur and Bhavanisagar to Bannari on March 21,22,23 due to the Kundam and Maru Puja festival to be held at the temple on that days, he added.



Suspension to be analysed based on facts of each case: HC

CHENNAI, MAR 17 (PTI)

The issue of challenge to the order of suspension should be analysed on the facts of each case, after considering the gravity of the charges and the rules applicable, a full bench of the Madras High Court has ruled.

The bench was rendering its finding on Tuesday on a batch of referred writ petitions seeking to quash the suspension orders and consequently direct the respective employers to reinstate the petitioners along with all attendant benefits.

"Revocation of suspension with a direction to the employer to post the delinquent in a non-sensitive post cannot be endorsed or directed as a matter of course.

It has to be based on the facts of each case and after noticing the reason for the delay in serving the memorandum of charges/charge-sheet" the bench of Chief Justice



MNBhandari and Justices VBharathidasan and D Bharatha Chakravarthy said.

There were conflicting judgments rendered by different judges, division benches of the High Courts and that of the Supreme Court on interference into the matter relating to suspension from service under Article 226 of the Constitution.

Pakistan escapes with a draw in 2nd test against Australia



KARACHI, MAR 17 (PTI)

Pakistan captain Babar Azam hit a career-best 196 before the tailenders hung in to escape with a draw in the second test against Australia on Wednesday.

Veteran off-spinner Nathan Lyon grabbed three late wickets to finish with 4-112 but Pakistan vice captain Mohammad Rizwan thwarted Australia with an unbeaten 104 off 177 balls to guide Pakistan to 443-7 in a sensational last hour on the final day.

No. 9 batter Nauman Ali successfully defended 18 balls without scoring and saw off the last eight overs with Rizwan after Pakistan had slipped to 414-7.

With 13 overs left in the game, Lyon made inroads into Pakistan's lower order when Babar gloved a catch close to the wicket after defying Australia with his knock off 425 balls over 10 hours.

Left-hander allrounder Faheem Ashraf edged a low catch in the slip off Lyon's next delivery and Sajid Khan also offered a tame catch to Smith before Rizwan and Nauman batted patiently.

Debutant legspinner Mitchell Swepson (0-156) had provided Australia with another chance with 19 balls left in the game, but Usman Khawaja dropped a low catch off Rizwan at short extra cover.

Rizwan raised his deserved century by hitting Lyon for two boundaries on either side of the wicket in the penultimate over before running a single to reach the three-figure mark.

Babar's marathon effort, during

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which he hit 21 fours and a straight six, was the highest ever by any captain in the fourth innings of a test match and surpassed Michael Atherton's 185 not out against South Africa in Johannesburg in 1995.

Babar shared two solid stands on the last day, adding 228 runs with Abdullah Shafique (96) and then, after losing Fawad Alam in the second session, batting with Rizwan to add further 115 runs. It was a remarkable escape by Pakistan at the fortress of its test venues the National Stadium when it was out for 148 in the first innings on the third day against the reverse swing of Mitchell Starc and conceded a massive 408-run lead. Australia then stretched its lead to 505 before declaring its second innings

at 97-2, but its bowlers couldn't rattle the confidence of Babar, who batted almost five sessions and denied the visitors from taking a 1-0 lead in the three-match series.

Babar stayed firm and blunted the reverse swing of experienced fast bowlers Pat Cummins (2-75) and Starc (0-58), while also negating the spin threat of Lyon and Swepson for most of the last day.

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Cummins got both wickets on either side of the first two sessions after Pakistan resumed on 192-2 with Babar resuming on 102 and Shafique on 71.

Shafique grinded out Australia's bowlers for almost eight hours. When it looked like Pakistan will go unscathed at lunch, Cummins got the breakthrough in the penultimate over.

Shafique, who hit his maiden test century in the drawn first test in Rawalpindi, gave a healthy edge to Smith at first slip, who had dropped a sitter when Shafique was on 20 on Day 4.

Babar continued to dominate both pace and spin and also survived the short pacy spells of Starc and Cummins, who couldn't get enough swing to trouble the batters with the second new ball just two overs old when the day began.

Gaayathri and Simranpreet win in National Shooting trials

BHOPAL, MAR 17 (PTI)

Tamil Nadu's N Gaayathri and Punjab's Simranpreet Kaur Brar won the women's 50m rifle 3 positions T1 and women's 25m pistol T2 events respectively in the National Shooting trials here on Wednesday.

Gaayathri beat Sift Kaur Samra of Punjab 16-10 in the 3P final while Simranpreet upset Maharashtra's Rahi Samobat 18-14 in the sport pistol gold medal match-up on the ninth day of the trials for rifle and pistol events.

However, Sift Kaur did win a gold on the day, pocketing the junior women's 3P T1 trials 16-14 over Ashi Chouksey of Madhya Pradesh, while Haryana's Rhythm Sangwan "avenged" her T1 loss to state-mate Manu Bhaker with a 23-19 win in the T2 junior women's 25m pistol final.

Over 3300 shooters are participating in the year's first National trials, after they had to be postponed from January because of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Indian teams for the upcoming World Cup in Baku and Junior World Cup in Suhl are to be selected on the basis of these trials.



Sindhu, Saina win first round matches in All England C'ships

BIRMINGHAM, MAR 17 (PTI)

Ace Indian shuttlers P V Sindhu and Saina Nehwal began their All England Championships campaign with easy straight-game wins over their respective opponents in the women's singles here on Wednesday.

Sixth seed Sindhu beat Zhi Yi Wang of China 21-18 21-13 in her first round match that lasted 42 minutes while Saina defeated Beatriz Corrales of Spain 21-17 21-19 in 38 minutes.

The world number 7 Sindhu will meet the winner of the first round match between Sayaka Takahashi of Japan and Supanida Katethong of Thailand in the second round. Saina, who had reached the final here in 2015, will face the winner of the first round match between second seed Akane Yamaguchi of Japan and Kristin Kuuba of Estonia in the second round.

If Sindhu and Saina win their respective second round matches, they will face each



other in the quarterfinals.

In men's singles, B Sai Praneeth lost to top seed and Olympic champion Viktor Axelsen 20-22 11-21 in the first round match that lasted 48 minutes.

H S Prannoy went down fighting to last week's German Open winner Thai player Kunlavut Vitidsarn 15-21 22-24 in 56 minutes while Sameer Verma also lost to Mark Caljouw of the Netherlands 18-21 11-21 in a 41-minute opening match.

In men's doubles, fifth seeded Satwiksairaj Rankireddy and Chirag Shetty beat Scottish pair of Alexander Dunn and Adam Hall 21-17 21-19

in 38 minutes. But M R Arjun and Dhruv Kapila lost 21-15 12-21 18-21 to second seed Indonesian pair of Mohammad Ahsan and Hendra Setiawan.

The other Indian men's doubles pair of Krishna Prasad Garaga and Vishnuvardhan Goud Panjala also suffered defeat at the hands of the German duo of Mark Lamfuss and Marvin Seidel 16-21 19-21 in just 37 minutes. In women's doubles, Treesa Jolly and Pullela Gayatri Gopichand made it to the second round with a 17-21 22-20 21-14 victory over the Thailand pair of Benyapa Aimsaard and Nuntakarn Aimsaard in one hour and seven minutes.



Coimbatore District Collector Dr Sameeran appreciated the medalists from the Coimbatore district who have won in various events of the recent state-level Paralympics.



Ukraine joins European grid, ending dependence on Russia

BERLIN, MAR 17 (PTI)

Engineers have linked Ukraine to an electricity grid spanning much of continental Europe, allowing the country to decouple its power system from hostile Russia, officials said Wednesday.

Belgium-based ENTSO-E, which represents dozens of transmission system operators in Europe, said the electricity grids of Ukraine and its smaller neighbour Moldova were successfully synchronized with the Continental European Power System on a trial basis.

Grid operators had been preparing such a move after Russia's annexation of Crimea in 2014, but the large-scale Russian military assault on Ukraine last month prompted an emergency request by Kyiv

to speed up a process that was expected to take years more to complete. ENTSO-E, whose 39 members operate the world's largest interconnected electrical grid, said the move means they will be able to help maintain the stability of the Ukrainian and Moldovan power systems. The two countries were previously part of the Integrated Power System that also includes Russia and Belarus.

"This made Ukraine dependent on Russia's grid operator despite there having been no electricity trade between the two countries for years. "This step will give Ukraine the opportunity to receive electricity if (Russia) continues to destroy our power infrastructure, and thus to save our power system," said Volodymyr Kudrytskyi, who

chairs the management board of Ukraine's grid operator Ukrenergo. "We are sincerely grateful to our European partners for their great support and assistance during these difficult times.

Georg Zachmann, an expert with the Brussels-based think tank Bruegel, said the switch will allow energy suppliers in the continental grid that stretches from Portugal to Poland to supply electricity to Ukraine if necessary.

This could allow Ukraine to turn off some of the coal-fired power plants it currently keeps running to ensure grid stability, saving precious fuel in wartime, he said. In the long, term, Ukraine could export surplus electricity generated by its nuclear power plants to the rest of Europe.

Biden calls Russian leader Vladimir Putin 'a war criminal'

WASHINGTON, MAR 17

President Joe Biden on Wednesday called Russian President Vladimir Putin a war criminal as the atrocities in Ukraine mount and the president there begged the US Congress for more help. He's a war criminal, the president said of Putin as he left an unrelated event. It's the sharpest condemnation yet of Putin and Russian actions by a US official since the invasion of Ukraine. While other world leaders have used the words, the White House had been hesitant to declare Putin's actions those of a war criminal, saying it was a legal term that required research.

But in a speech Wednesday, Biden said Russian troops had bombed hospitals and held doctors hostage. He pledged more aid to help Ukraine fight Russia.

Sri Lanka to work with IMF to resolve country's worsening economic crisis

COLOMBO, MAR 17 (PTI)

Sri Lanka will work closely with the IMF to resolve the worsening economic crisis that has caused acute shortages of essentials, power cuts and long fuel queues in the island country, President Gotabaya Rajapaksa said in an address to the nation on Wednesday. Rajapaksa said the government was trying hard to resolve the existing crisis that has been triggered due to shortage of foreign exchange.

The Sri Lankan government will work with the IMF to resolve the ongoing economic crisis in the country, Rajapaksa said. USD 6.9 billion will have to be paid in loan installments and sovereign bonds this year and after the payment Sri Lanka will be left with a deficit of USD 11.9 billion, he added.

President Rajapaksa's televised address came a day after Sri Lanka's Finance Minister Basil Rajapaksa gave the nod to seek assistance from the International Monetary Fund (IMF), softening then country's resistance against the international lender as it desperately tries to salvage the country's beleaguered economy that is currently reeling under a severe foreign exchange crisis. President Rajapaksa during his address also outlined the island's external debt commitments.

Powerful quake off north Japan kills 4, more than 90 injured

TOKYO, MAR 17 (PTI)

A powerful 7.4 magnitude earthquake struck off the coast of Fukushima in northern Japan on Wednesday night, smashing furniture, knocking out power and killing four people. A small tsunami reached shore, but the low-risk advisory was lifted by Thursday morning.

The region is part of northern Japan that was devastated by a deadly 9.0 quake and tsunami 11 years ago that caused nuclear reactor meltdowns, spewing massive radiation that still makes some parts uninhabitable.

Prime Minister Fumio Kishida told a parliamentary session Thursday morning that four people died during the quake and the cause of their deaths are being investigated, while 97 others were injured.

The Japan Meteorological Agency early Thursday lifted its low-risk advisory for a tsunami along the coasts of Fukushima and Miyagi prefectures. Tsunami waves of 30 centimeters (11 inches) reached shore in Ishinomaki, about 390 kilometers (242 miles) northeast of Tokyo.

The agency upgraded the magnitude of the quake to 7.4



from the initial 7.3, and the depth from 60 kilometers (36 miles) below the sea to 56 kilometers (35 miles).

NHK footage showed broken walls of a department store building fell to the ground and shards of windows scattered on the street near the main train station in the inland prefectural capital of Fukushima city. Roads were cracked and water poured out from pipes underground.

More than 2.2 million homes were temporarily without electricity in 14 prefectures, including the Tokyo region, but power was restored at most places by the morning, except for about

37,000 homes in the hardest hit Fukushima and Miyagi prefectures, according to the Tohoku Electric Power Co. which services the region.

The quake shook large parts of eastern Japan, including Tokyo, where buildings swayed violently.

Chief Cabinet Secretary Hirokazu Matsuno said authorities were scrambling to assess damage.

We are doing our utmost in rescue operations and putting people's lives first, he said.

He urged residents in the affected areas to use extra caution for possible major aftershocks for about a week.

As Ukraine war rages, diplomats near Iran nuclear agreement

WASHINGTON, MAR 17 (PTI)

As the war in Ukraine rages on, diplomats trying to salvage the languishing 2015 Iran nuclear deal have been forging ahead with negotiations despite distractions caused by the conflict. They now appear to be near the cusp of a deal that would bring the US back into the accord and bring Iran back into compliance with limits on its nuclear program.

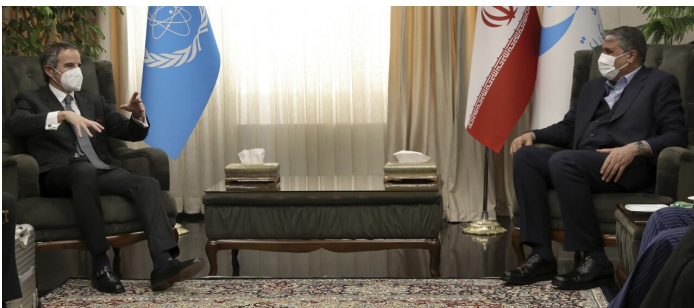
After 11 months of on-and-off talks in Vienna, US officials and others say only a very small number of issues remain to be resolved. Meanwhile, Russia appears to have backed down on a

threat to crater an agreement over Ukraine-related sanctions that had dampened prospects for a quick deal.

That leaves an agreement or at least an agreement in principle up to political leaders in Washington and Tehran. But, as has been frequently the case, both Iran and th

U.S. say those decisions must be made by the other side, leaving a resolution in limbo even as all involved say the matter is urgent and must be resolved as soon as possible.

We are close to a possible deal, but we're not there yet," State Department spokesman Ned Price



said Wednesday. We are going to find out in the near term whether we're able to get there.

Also Wednesday in Berlin, German Foreign Ministry spokesman Christopher Burger said work on drafting a final text has

been completed and the necessary political decisions now need to be taken in capitals.

Reentering the 2015 deal known as the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action, or JCPOA, has been a priority for the Biden

administration since it took office.

Once a signature foreign policy achievement of the Obama administration in which now-President Joe Biden served as vice president, the accord was abandoned in 2018 by then-President Donald Trump, who called it the worst deal ever negotiated and set about restoring and expanding on U.S. sanctions that had been lifted.

The Biden administration argues that any threat currently posed by Iran would be infinitely more dangerous should it obtain a nuclear weapon. Deal opponents, mostly but not entirely Republicans, say the original deal

gave Iran a path to developing a nuclear bomb by removing various constraints under so-called sunset" clauses. Those clauses meant that certain restrictions were to be gradually lifted.

Both sides' arguments gained intensity over the weekend when Iran targeted the northern Iraqi city of Irbil with missile strikes that hit near the U.S. consulate compound. For critics, the attack was proof that Iran cannot be trusted and should not be given any sanctions relief. For the administration, it confirmed that Iran would be a greater danger if it obtains a nuke.

What it underscores for us is the fact that Iran poses a threat to

our allies, to our partners, in some cases to the United States, across a range of realms, Price said. The most urgent challenge we would face is a nuclear-armed Iran or an Iran that was on the very precipice of obtaining a nuclear weapon.

Meanwhile, a new glimmer of hope for progress emerged Wednesday when Iran released two detained British citizens. The U.S., which withdrew from the nuclear deal in 2018, and the three European countries that remain parties to it had said an agreement would be difficult if not impossible to reach while those prisoners, along with several American citizens, remain jailed in Iran.



Krishnagiri District Collector Jayachandran Bhanu Reddy handing over the financial assistance to facilitate the educational needs of 8 tribal students on behalf of the Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Department.

Expedite eradication of Karuvelam trees: HC

CHENNAI, MAR 17 (PTI)

The Madras High Court on Wednesday directed the Tamil Nadu government to expedite the process of taking a policy decision to eradicate Seemai Karuvelam trees (prosopis juliflora) in the state.

A full bench of Chief Justice M N Bhandari, Justices N Sathish Kumar and D Bharatha Chakravarthy gave the direction, when the batch of public interest writ petitions from MDMK leader Vaiko and others, came up for further hearing, today.

The Additional Advocate-General informed the bench that the State had deputed seven teams of forest officials to different states to study the methods adopted by them to eradicate the Karuvelam. Two teams, which went to Rajasthan and Odisha had submitted its reports. After pointing out that states have already begun uprooting the invasive species and the government should speed up the process of taking the policy decision and commence work as soon as possible, the bench adjourned the matter by two weeks.

Navy Chief on three day visit to DSSC

UDHAGAMAN DALAM, MAR 17 (PTI)

Chief of Naval Staff Admiral R Hari Kumar on Wednesday exhorted all student officers to be "change catalysts" in all of the key appointments that they would be taking up in near future. Hari Kumar,

who is on a three-day visit to the Defence Services Staff College (DSSC) in nearby Wellington, was addressing the students there. He was given an update by the Commandant on the ongoing training activities and incorporation of new trends with specific reference to jointmanship amongst the three services.

The Navy chief also visited the college premises and was briefed on the changes being undertaken in training curriculum and infrastructural development as a step towards enhancing the role of DSSC as a centre of excellence for professional military education, an official release said.

Leopard enters stone quarry

ERODE (TN), MAR 17 (PTI)

Residents of Iriyapuram Village near Thalavady that is located within the Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve (STR) in the district noticed a leopard in a stone quarry on Wednesday and said the big cat had been entering farms and killing goats and dogs, personnel of the Forest Department said.

The villagers were panic-stricken but managed to scare the leopard away from the quarry by creating a noise. The personnel said they would trap the wild animal before it harms humans and told them to avoid stepping out of the house at night.

Indian Bank bags award for best performance

CHENNAI, MAR 17

Public sector Indian Bank has been awarded as the best performing bank under the self-help group bank linkage for 2020-21, the city-based bank said here on Wednesday.

Union Minister for Rural Development Giriraj Singh presented the award to Indian Bank field general manager-New Delhi Ravinder Singh at an event in the capital recently, a press release from the bank said.

Spl address on consumer rights



ERODE MARCH 17:

Founder of Tanjore Talent Education Centre advocate A.M. Thanakkodi delivered a special address on "Consumer Protection Rights in India" at the World Consumer Rights Day function of the Erode

Arts and Science College, Erode. College director Dr R. Venkatachalam, principal Dr R Sankarabramanian, Dean Dr PM Selvaraj, Commerce HoD Dr Vidya and Assistant Professor Dr. Vinodkumar spoke.

No new corona cases reported in Erode

ERODE MARCH 17:

After 2 years, no new corona case was reported in the district on Tuesday and Wednesday.

The first case of coronary heart disease was reported in Erode district on March 22, 2020. The daily vulnerability continued to rise. Up to 1800 people were affected daily in the 2nd wave and up to 1400 in the 3rd wave. Then the corona infection in the district started to decrease for the last 2 weeks due to various preventive measures. Especially for the past one week the daily vulnerability has been reported at a single target. Almost two years after this situation the daily impact

in the district yesterday was zero. So far, the number of corona victims in the district has been reported as 1 lakh 32 thousand 660, 1 lakh 31 thousand 906 recovered and 734 died. Currently 20 people across the district are being treated for corona infection. The health department has advised the people not to be negligent due to less corona impact and to follow the safety guidelines announced by the government. So far, 26 lakh 80 thousand 984 people across the district have been tested for corona. Corona tests are currently performed on 1,000 people daily as against 4000-6000 tests conducted when corona was at its peak level, it said.

Deadline to apply for Green Champion Award extended

ERODE MARCH 17:

In a statement, Erode Collector Krishnanunni said the Government of Tamil Nadu announced the 'Green Champion Award' to individuals, organizations, schools, colleges, residents' associations, local bodies and

industries working in the field of climate change, forestry, environmental protection etc in Tamil Nadu. The application for it can be downloaded from the website www.tnpcb.gov.in. The deadline to apply for the award has been extended from March 15 to 31, he said.

Election for Water Users' Associations declared

COIMBATORE, MAR 17

Elections for various posts in the Water Users' Associations of Parambikulam and Bhavanisagar Dams are scheduled to be held on March 27.

Speaking on this, Coimbatore District Collector Dr Sameeran said, "Reconstruction work has been completed on the Parambikulam Dam and Bhavanisagar Dam under the control of the Coimbatore District Water and Land Resources Project. The final voter list for the formation of the Water Users Association for the strategic areas of the rehabilitated watersheds has been published in the District Gazette through Form 9".

In this context, the election schedule for filling

"The nomination forms for this election are being issued at the Coimbatore North Revenue Divisional Office and Pollachi Sub Collector's Office. Nominations will be received on March 16 from 9 am to 4 pm. The nominations will be scrutinised on March 21 from 9 am to 2 pm and the final list of candidates will be published thereafter," Collector Sameeran said.

the posts of Chairman and other members for Water Users' Associations has been

published, the Collector added. Accordingly, the nomination forms for this election are being issued at the Coimbatore North Revenue Divisional Office and Pollachi Sub Collector's Office.

"Nominations will be received on March 16 from 9 am to 4 pm. The nominations will be scrutinised on March 21 from 9 am to 2 pm and the final list of candidates will be published thereafter.

Withdrawal of nominations can be done from 2 pm to 4 pm on the same day and after 4 pm, the final list will be published and symbols will be allocated. The polling will take place on March 27 from 7 am to 2 pm. Votes will be counted at 4 pm and the results will be announced on the same day", he said.

World Consumer Rights Day celebrated



ERODE MARCH 17:

Erode Dr. R.A.N.M. Arts and Science College celebrated the World Consumer Rights Day at the College on March 16 by inviting S. Balasubramanian, District Secretary, Erode District Consumer Protection Center as chief guest. He spoke on the

'New Consumer Protection Act'. College Principal Dr A Palaniyappan, Business Administration HoD M.Saminathan, Micro biology HoD S. Nirmala Devi, English HoD Head U. Nalini spoke.

National Vaccine Day: The student members of the NSS, Youth Red Cross

and Red Ribbon Club of the college, took out a rally in connection with National Vaccine Day. Erode Corporation Health Officer Dr Prasath, medical officer Dr. L. Ambika, NSS Officers S. Rameshkumar, A. Panupriya, A. Sumathi and A. Jerlin made the arrangements.



Stress on cloud based solutions for MSME's at HCC webinar

CHENNAI MARCH 17

Technology on cloud has become a de facto choice for cost effectiveness and high availability with practically no capital investments and hassle of managing expensive manpower resources said CA. K. Suresh President, Hindustan Chamber of Commerce (HCC).

Delivering address at a webinar on Cloud Based IT Solutions for MSME's organised by HCC in association with IEEE CS Madras & Computer Society of India (Chennai Chapter), Mr C.A.K Suresh said the cloud provides secured, ready, tested and integrated solutions on a pay per use model facilitating to benefit from the best practices of the industry

and remain competitive.

He further said that enterprises have quickly invented new models of working for their survival and many small and midsize firms have moved 100% on-line. Companies have saved cost as well as seen better productivity in this model. Also enterprises are adopting the Hybrid model, a combination of physical and virtual teams of workforce he added.

Mr. M.R. Mohan, Chairman, IT Committee, Mr.T.V.Kamalakkannan, Vice Chairman, CSI Chennai Chapter, Mr.VijayVenkatesh, Co-Founder and Managing Director, M/S Syscon Solutions, Pvt Ltd spoke on the occasion.

ShareChat curates audio chatrooms 'NallaNeram' on for Tamil users

COIMBATORE MAR 17

ShareChat social media platform has launched two specially curated bi-weekly chatroom series - 'NallaNeram' on astrology and 'Aha EnnaRusi' on culinary arts.

The astrology sessions will be with renowned astrologers Dr.AadithyaGuruji and Dr.AndalChokalingam for users to get their dose of astrology insights and 'Chef's Special' Chatroom session with - Chef Ajith Kumar (Hotel Ambassador - Pallava) and Chef Tamilrasan (Hotel Kay-Em Spectra) for culinary aficionados to learn from and interact with leading chefs from top hotels in the state.

Dr.AadithyaGuruji and Dr.AndalChokalingam with SaranyaSaiPrashanth will

host. The NallaNeram series. The series of culinary will be delivered by top chefs Ajith Kumar and Tamilrasan will join the session to teach easy ways to recreate restaurant like dishes, super tasty dishes in 5-10 mins and others tips and tricks while interacting with the audience.

Starting from March, 16, ShareChat Astrology Chatroom sessions will be hosted every Monday and Wednesday from 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm till 11th April. 'Chef's Special' Chatroom session will kick start on 19th March and will be hosted every Saturday from 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm and Sunday from 11:00 am - 12:00 pm till April 10, 2022, according to an official communication from the company.

Matter introduces MatterDrive 1.0 high-speed EV Motor

COIMBATORE MAR 17

Matter, a technology innovation start-up, focused sustainable solutions has announced the development of the new, high-speed mid-torque Matter Drive1.0 Motor. A breakthrough with a new intelligent drive train incorporating a series of key innovations including Integrated Intelligent Thermal Management System, the innovation relooks at the approach of applying magnetism, materials, and cooling in delivering a robust and efficient drivetrain said the company's officials.

MohalLalbahai, Founder & CEO, Matter said, "The innovative Matter Drive 1.0 with the Integrated Intelligent Thermal Management System is one of its kind in terms of technology and design. Our futuristic drivetrain is ready to power our upcoming performance electric vehicles (Evs). The Matter Drive 1.0 is a Radial Flux Motor incorporating a novel architecture of flux guide for optimum torque delivery, advanced materials to achieve lightweight drive train and first in class active liquid cooling.

Hema Malini urges PM to renovate three Mathura temples

MATHURA, MAR 17 (PTI)

Mathura MP Hema Malini on Wednesday urged Prime Minister Narendra Modi to renovate three temples here and ensure their better management.

She told reporters that during a meeting with the prime minister, she has apprised him of the importance of the Bankey Bihari temple in Vrindavan, Daanghati temple

in Goverdhan and the Shriji temple in Barsana.

"Appreciating the arrangements made at the Varanasi corridor, I requested the prime minister to make a similar arrangement in the temples since the present system needs better arrangement," Malini said.

"The Union government will extend full cooperation for the renovation of the three temples," she said.

COVID-19: Delhi reports 144 fresh cases, 1 death

NEW DELHI, MAR 17 (PTI)

Delhi reported 144 COVID-19 cases and one fatality, while the positivity rate stood at 0.39 per cent, according to data shared by the health department here on Thursday.

This data pertains to the cases reported on Tuesday as the Delhi government did not issue the health bulletin on Wednesday. Including the latest reported cases, the national capital's case count increased to 18,63,345, while the death toll rose to 26,144, the health bulletin stated. As many as 36,625 samples were tested for COVID-19 on Tuesday, it said. The department's bulletin on Tuesday said the national capital reported 131 COVID-19 cases and two deaths, while the positivity rate stood at 0.42 per cent. A day earlier, the city had logged 136 cases with a



positivity rate of 0.56 per cent, and no death. On March 5, 6, 10, 11 and 13, too, no fatality due to COVID-19 was reported in the capital. The number of daily cases in Delhi has been on the decline after touching a record high of 28,867 on January 13. The city had recorded a positivity rate of 30.6 per cent on January 14, the highest during the ongoing wave of the pandemic. Amid a decline in daily cases of COVID-19 in Delhi, the number of patients under home isolation here has significantly fallen in the last few weeks.

On February 1, the total number of home isolation cases was 12,312. It dipped to 434 on Wednesday. The number of containment zones has also lowered to 3,309 as on March 15, according to the official figures. The surge in COVID-19 cases in Delhi during the third wave of the pandemic was largely due to the Omicron variant of the virus, which is highly transmissible.

There are 10,316 beds for COVID-19 patients in Delhi hospitals and only 91 of them are occupied, the health department said.

Fresh cases continue to decline in Tamil Nadu

CHENNAI, MAR 17 (PTI)

Tamil Nadu on Wednesday added 72 new COVID-19 infections, pushing the caseload to 34,52,145 while fatalities remained unchanged at 38,024 as fresh cases continued to decline in the state, the health department said.

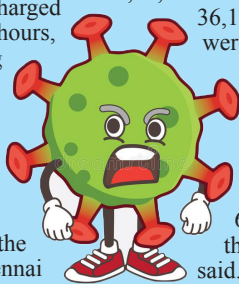
Recoveries outnumbered new cases with 161 people getting discharged in the last 24 hours, aggregating to 34,13,248 leaving 873 active infections, a medical bulletin said.

Among the districts, Chennai

and Chengalpet added 23 and 12 cases, respectively, while the remaining districts reported new cases in single digit.

Three districts Ariyalur, Mayiladuthurai and Villupuram reported zero active infections while 18 districts added zero new cases.

The state capital leads in overall infections with 7,50,812 cases. A total of 36,100 samples were tested in the last 24 hours, pushing the cumulative number of specimens examined to 6,51,19,008, the bulletin said.



Rotaract week celebration at KASC



ERODE MARCH 17:

Rotaract Club of Kongu Arts and Science College (Autonomous), Erode has carried out several activities and competitions as part of Rotaract week celebration. The competition "Wealth from Waste" was held on

March 7, students planted saplings in college campus on 8, visited Kathirampatty Government School as part of extension activity on 9, and performed a mime show on "No Smoking Day" on 10. A seminar on "Consumer Rights and Responsibilities"

was held on 14 in association with NSS by inviting R.Balasubramaniam, District Consumer Protection Centre, Erode, as Resource Person. The event turned out fruitful in inculcating social responsibilities among college students.



Dharmapuri District Collector Divyadarshini chairing the Refresher Training Camp for the elected representatives at the district level conducted by the Department of Social Welfare and Women's Rights



Tamil Nadu Minister for PWD EV Velu handing over various demands of the state to the Union Transport and highways Minister Nitin Gadkari in New Delhi. MP A Raja and Department Secretary Dheeraj Kumar were also present.

Sylendra Babu's motivational note for students

CHENNAI, MARCH 17

Taking to his social media handle, Tamil Nadu Director General of Police (DGP) Sylendra Babu posted a note of motivation to the younger community, especially the adolescent children.

He said, "As students in colleges and schools, you are under 18 years of age. There is still time to live another 60 to 70 years. This time is your biggest asset. The most horrible and wrong decision is to kill ourselves. It is absolutely not right to take your own life for simple reasons of regression, small failure, the low score we took, not appointing you as class leader and so on."

He then urged the students not to take such a horrible decision of ending their lives for trivial affairs such as failure of examinations. "You, students, are the treasures of this country. Suicide is a crime against society. You



should definitely not commit this crime. There are umpteen opportunities available for you to become heads of a state, to be the chief secretary of a government, chief of police, to be a scientist, to be at the helm of affairs of a hospital or any other concern. No such opportunity can be achieved if we take our own lives," the Chief of police said.

He urged the students to think about their parents. He then advised them to seek

help from the nearest women's police station in case of any moral counselling. Apart from that, "If you contact the helpline at 1090, they will also give you advice and suggestions. You can also contact the Suicide Prevention Center helpline number 9152987821 and seek help on the website <http://icallhelpline.org/>," he said.

He finally cheered them up by saying, "So, students be excited. Prepare yourself immediately for the upcoming exams. Read your lessons with passion. You will be comfortable studying."

Sylendra Babu is proactive in various activities such as maintaining his physical and mental wellness. Not just on a personal level, he also advocates that to his fellow policemen and the student community especially. He often visits educational institutions to mentor young minds.

Phase 2 tour - Sasikala leaves for Thanjavur

CHENNAI, MAR 17

Former Chief Minister Jayalalithaa's confidante VK Sasikala left for Thanjavur for the second phase of her recent tour.

Sasikala toured Nellai, Thoothukudi and Tenkasi districts for 2 days and performed poojas at various temples. He told reporters at the time that AIADMK cadres were all from the same family and



saw everyone as descendants of the same roots. She

also said that AIADMK cadres were in distress as they were facing a series of defeats.

In this situation, she has left for Thanjavur today for the 2nd phase tour from Chennai.

It has been reported that Sasikala, who is travelling by road, will visit temples and meet supporters at various places along the way.

Over 3 lakh doses of Covid vaccine given to children aged 12-14 yrs on day-1

NEW DELHI, MAR 17 (PTI)

Over 3 lakh children between 12 and 14 years have received their first shot of Covid vaccine taking the total doses administered in the country to over 180.80 crore, according to Union Health Ministry data.

The vaccination against COVID-19 in the age group of 12-14 years started on Wednesday with Biological E's intramuscular vaccine Corbevax, two doses of which are to be administered 28 days apart.

As of March 1, 2021, there were 4.7 crore children aged 12 and 13 years in the country.

More than 2.15 crore precaution doses of COVID-19 vaccine have been administered to healthcare and frontline workers, and those aged above 60 years.

All people aged 60 and above have been made eligible for the precaution dose to Covid vaccine. The prioritisation and sequencing of the dose would be based on the completion of nine months to 39 weeks from the date of administration of the second dose. The countrywide vaccination drive was rolled out on January 16, 2021, with the healthcare workers getting inoculated in the first phase. Vaccination of the frontline workers started from February 2 last year.



The next phase of COVID-19 vaccination commenced on March 1 last year for people over 60 years of age and those aged 45 and above with specified comorbid conditions.

India launched vaccination for all people aged more than 45 years from April 1 last year.

The government then decided to expand its vaccination drive by allowing everyone above 18 years of age to be inoculated against the viral disease from May 1 last year. The next phase of Covid vaccination commenced from January 3 this year for adolescents in the age group of 15-18 years.

India began administering precaution doses of the vaccines to the healthcare and frontline workers and those aged 60 and above with comorbidities from January 10 this year.

CredoPay raises \$5 million pre-series A funding

CHENNAI MAR 17

Chennai-based neo-banking and unified payment acquiring solution provider CredoPay has announced the raising of a Pre-series A round of funding of \$5 million from EzSwepe LLC and Zent International Limited.

The funding will be used for product development, client acquisition, and marketing said the company's officials.

The fast-growing fintech enabler, CredoPay, offers a plug-and-play integrated platform for payment acquisitions, payment processing among a host of other solutions to Banks, Neo-banks, Payment Facilitators, Merchant Acquirers, Fintech

Companies and ISOs. CredoPay manages the highly complicated payment processing lifecycle for its clients through advanced platform-as-a-service (PaaS) and software-as-a-service (SaaS) products said Dore Swamy, Cofounder and CEO of CredoPay.

CredoPay currently has 35 clients with a merchant base of 45,000 merchants on its platforms. "Our PaaS and SaaS platforms are robust, secure and scalable and provide on-demand capacity. Our clients can focus on their business expansion plans without worrying about capacity augmentation," says Captain Siva Raja SekharPadala (Retd), Cofounder and CTO of CredoPay.

Nykaa opens 100th store on women's day

CHENNAI, MAR. 17

Nykaa opened its 100th beauty store, Nykaa On Trend at HSR Bangalore on the globally celebrated occasion of International Women's Day.

Having started its retail journey at the T3 terminal of Delhi airport in 2014, Nykaa stores today offer its trendsetting Indian brands to consumers across 45 cities.

Commenting on the launch of the 100th store, Anchit Nayar, CEO E-commerce Beauty, Nykaa said, "From store one to hundred, our confidence in the power of the omnichannel

model has remained strong and continues to grow.

Nykaa is constantly exploring newer pin codes for our retail stores to deepen our reach and to make shopping online and offline entirely seamless."

Commenting on this milestone, Rohan Vaziralli, GM India at Estee Lauder Companies, a key partner brand said, "Congratulations on your 100th door! We are proud to partner with Nykaa to bring an omnichannel prestige beauty experience to our consumers across India."

SC judge to grace Avinashilingam Institute Convocation

COIMBATORE, MAR. 17

The 33rd Annual Convocation of Avinashilingam Institute for Home Science and Higher Education for Women (Deemed to be University), will be held on Saturday, March 19 at 10.30 am in the University premises. Justice BV Nagarathna, a sitting judge at the Supreme Court of India will be the Chief Guest and is scheduled to deliver the Convocation Address. Chancellor of the University Dr SP Thyagarajan will preside over the convocation.

According to a

institution, a total number of 2733 candidates from all disciplines will be conferred their degrees following which the outstanding students and scholars will be felicitated.

The Avinashilingam Education Trust Institutions Managing Trustee Dr TSK Meenakshisundaram, Vice-Chancellor Dr Bharathi Harishankar, Registrar Dr S Kowsalya, Trustees, members of the Board of Management, Academic Council Members, Deans, teaching and non-teaching staff, students, parents and well-wishers will be participating in the event.

Top Taiwan's brands to showcase digital tech innovations at Convergence India 2022



CHENNAI MARCH 17

Taiwan Excellence is participating in Convergence India 2022 a leading technology expo in India to be held in New Delhi from March 23 to 25.

Convergence India is one of the most influential and this year, the Taiwan Excellence pavilion will offer visitors a sneak peek into some cutting-edge technology and innovations in electronics, communications,

gaming, productivity, and energy among other areas. In addition, 6 top brands, AVer, BenQ, CyberPower, MSI, Planet and ZyXel will launch their latest products in India. Visitors will also be able to gain insights on futuristic digital ecosystems involving Artificial Intelligence (AI).

Speaking about the participation, Mark Wu, Executive Director of Taiwan Excellence said, "India's digital industry has

the potential to be a driving force in harnessing new technologies, impacting various sectors. Taiwan Excellence has always been eager to contribute to India's innovation efforts by offering cutting-edge, high-tech products. At a time when both the countries are looking at renewing ties, events like Convergence India are a great platform to mutually benefit from each other's talent pool."



Coimbatore corporation Commissioner Rajagopal Sunkara inspecting the solid Waste Management Centre at Shastri Nagar, Gandhipuram.

Minister inaugurated excavations in Tirunelveli

TIRUNELVELI, MAR 17

Excavations have begun on behalf of the Tamil Nadu Government on the river banks of the Nambi river in the Tirunelveli district.

The government had announced that archaeological excavations would be carried out at 7 places in Tamil Nadu and preliminary excavations would be carried out to identify the ancient Korkai port. As part of this, Minister Thangam Tennarasu started excavations at the Nambi riverbed at Thulukkarpatti in the Tirunelveli district.

The event was presided over by District Collector Vishnu and was attended by Legislative



Assembly Speaker Appavu. Minister Thangam Tennarasu said the purpose of the excavation was to trace the roots of the Iron Age culture on the riparian zones of the

Nambi River. The Minister said that Thulukkarpatti Archaeological Site is a place of historical significance and various things can be taken to the world by exposing the archaeological sites and

PM Modi to inaugurate centenary year celebrations of Mathrubhumi on Friday



NEW DELHI, MAR 17 (PTI)

Prime Minister Narendra Modi will inaugurate the year-long celebrations of the centenary year of Malayalam daily Mathrubhumi on Friday via video-conferencing, the PMO said.

Mathrubhumi began operations on March 18, 1923, and has been at the forefront of pushing across social reforms and developmental agenda while constantly highlighting issues of national interest, it noted.

The newspaper has 15 editions and 11 periodicals.

Mathrubhumi Books, its another division, publishes titles on a wide range of issues of contemporary interest.

The Minister said that Thulukkarpatti Archaeological Site is a place of historical significance and various things can be taken to the world by exposing the archaeological sites and subjecting them to proper mineral analysis.

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EDITORIAL

AFTERNOON

Sri Lanka entangled in China's trap

Sri Lanka is reportedly on the verge of bankruptcy due to a debt burden, with tourism and other sectors hit hard by the global pandemic. Sri Lanka's manufacturing and services sectors have been hit hard. The country's tax collection has fallen sharply. Corona has also crippled tourism, which accounts for 10 percent of Sri Lanka's debt-ridden GDP.

As a result, Sri Lanka's total debt and interest rates are rising. Sri Lanka's total debt is \$ 7.3 billion, or 1.49 trillion Sri Lankan rupees. The Sri Lankan government's foreign exchange reserves, valued at Rs. 32,462 crores as of last November. The loan amount is higher than the foreign exchange. Farmers say paddy yields have been severely affected due to fertilizer shortages and only 15 to 20 bundles have been harvested so far, whereas the usual yield is 35 to 40 bundles. The price of a tea is Rs.70. A kilo of carrots sells for Rs 560 and a kilo of chilly is sold for a thousand rupees. Food prices have skyrocketed.

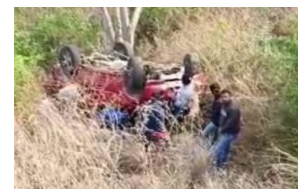
Thus the people of Sri Lanka shed tears of anguish that they are eating only two meals a day. With the World Bank estimating that more than 50 lakh people in Sri Lanka are already below the poverty line, shocking information has emerged that this number could rise further. Economists have blamed Sri Lanka's situation on China's debt trap. Sri Lanka has been deprived of assistance from the United States, Europe and India due to its close relationship with China and is currently awaiting assistance from countries such as India to avert bankruptcy. In this context, our Prime Minister Modi is going to visit Sri Lanka. The people of Sri Lanka hope that his visit will bring about a new renaissance in Sri Lanka. They understand that China is not helping the development of the country except manoeuvring to control the island nation. But the Sri Lankan Government now understands that India is a true ally. Even though the Tamil Nadu fishermen are being harassed by the Sri Lankan navy from time to time, people who belong to our land are also suffering there. Sri Lanka must recover quickly from the economic crisis.

Let India's support bring about a change!

Five injured as car overturns

OOTY, MAR. 17

Five persons were injured when a car overturned in a 50 foot deep gorge at the 22nd hairpin bend on the Kallatti hill road in the Nilgiris district.



Students of a private engineering college in Sellampatti, Namakkal district lost control of their car and crashed into a gorge while travelling on the Kallatti

hill road to Mudumalai. The passersby rescued them and sent them to Ooty Government Hospital for treatment.

Film industry, armed forces have strong relationship: Army Chief

NEW DELHI, MAR 17 (PTI)

War movies such as Uri and Sher Shah have taken the challenges and sacrifices from the war zone to the masses and the film industry has a strong relationship with the armed forces, Army Chief General M M Naravane said on Wednesday.

"The profession of arms and the cinema though diverse in their very nature have one thing in common, they both have contributed immensely to nation building," he said in his speech at an event of industry body FICCI.

A good movie will entertain, educate and inspire the audience in many ways, he

mentioned.

"We have grown up watching war movies like Vijeta and Hindustan ki Kasam, but for the younger generation I have to mention Border, Uri and more recently Sher Shah," he noted.

These have taken the challenges and sacrifices from the war zone to the masses, Naravane added.

The eternal song "ae mere watan ke logon" could move the entire nation and was included in the Beating the Retreat Ceremony this year, he said. "So there has been a strong relationship between the film industry and the armed forces, the 'real' and the 'reel' world," he noted.

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