



'दंगल' में मेरी अदाकारी सबसे बेहतरीन, फिल्म में सिर्फ एक गलती की : आमिर खान
मुंबई, बॉलीवुड अभिनेता आमिर खान का कहना है कि वह 2016 में प्रदर्शित 'दंगल' को अपने करियर की सबसे बेहतरीन मानते हैं, हालांकि इसमें एक ऐसा दृश्य था, जिसमें वह अपने किरदार से भटक गए थे। नितेश तिवारी निर्देशित 'दंगल' में महावीर सिंह फोगाट की भूमिका निभाने वाला आमिर ने कहा कि वह 'मेगास्टार अभिनाम बच्चन थे, जिन्होंने तुरंत उनके अभिनय में खासी को पहचान लिया था। आमिर ने कहा, 'मेरे लिए यह कहना मुश्किल है कि मेरी पसंदीदा फिल्म में मेरी अदाकारी सबसे बेहतरीन थी।'

अक्षय कुमार की फिल्म 'केसरी 2' सिनेमाघरों में 18 अप्रैल को प्रदर्शित होगी



मुंबई, अभिनेता अक्षय कुमार ने शनिवार को घोषणा की कि उनकी आगामी फिल्म "केसरी 2" सिनेमाघरों में 18 अप्रैल को प्रदर्शित होगी। फिल्म "केसरी 2" में अभिनेता आर. माधवन और अभिनेत्री अनन्या पांडे भी नजर आएंगी। यह फिल्म अक्षय कुमार अभिनीत वर्ष 2019 में आई फिल्म "केसरी" का "सिक्कल" है। अक्षय कुमार (57) ने सोशल मीडिया मंच 'एक्स' पर एक पोस्ट में फिल्म "केसरी 2" को प्रदर्शित किये जाने की तारीख साझा की और बताया कि फिल्म का 'टीज' 24 मार्च को जारी किया जाएगा। पोस्ट में कहा गया, "सालाह से रंगी क्रांति 'केसरी 2'" का टीजर इस सोशल अपने को आएगा। तैयारी हो जाइ। सिनेमाघरों में 18 अप्रैल को प्रदर्शित होगी।" नवोदित करण जोहर के धर्म प्रोडक्शन्स, कुमार की कंप ऑफ गुड फिल्म्स और आनंद तिवारी और अमृतपाल सिंह बिंदा के बैनर के तले किया गया है। मीडिया में आई खबरों के मुताबिक, फिल्म "केसरी 2" जलियांवाला बाग हत्याकांड की मार्मिक कहानी बयां करेगी। फिल्म "केसरी" सारांगढ़ी की लड़ाई पर आधारित थी और इसका निर्देशन अनुराग सिंह ने किया था।

कोडवा राष्ट्रीय परिषद ने अभिनेत्री रशिमा मंदाना के लिए सुरक्षा मांगी

बैंगलुरु, अभिनेत्री रशिमा मंदाना के खुद को 'कर्नाटक' के बजाय हैरयाबाद से बताने पर सत्तारूढ़ पार्टी के विधायक रवि कुमार गौड़ा (गोडा) और कन्नड़ कार्यकर्ता टी.ए. नारायण गौडा द्वारा आलोचना करने के बीच कोडवा राष्ट्रीय परिषद (सीएनपी) ने अभिनेत्री का समर्थन करते हुए केंद्रीय गृह मंत्री अमित शाह और प्रदेश के गृह मंत्री जी, परमेश्वर से उनकी सुरक्षा की अपील की है। सीएनपी के अध्यक्ष एन.यू. नवापा ने शाह और परमेश्वर को लिखे पत्र में आरोप लगाया कि रशिमा को 'एक विधायक द्वारा धमकाया और डराया जा रहा है', जिसे कोडवा समुदाय "गुंडागर्दी" मानता है। नवापा ने कहा कि कोडवालैंड की मूल कोडवा आदिवासी जाति से ताल्पुत्र रखने वाली रशिमा को अपनी कड़ी मेहनत और प्रतिभा के दम पर भारतीय फिल्म जगत में अपार सफलता हासिल की है। नवापा ने कहा कि रशिमा ने अभिनेत्री बच्चन और सलमान खान जैसे प्रमुख अभिनेताओं के साथ काम किया है। संगठन के अध्यक्ष ने कहा, "सीएनपी इस बात पर जोर देती है कि अपनी परंपरा चुनने की रशिमा की ख्वातिरता का सम्मान किया जाना चाहिए और उन विधायिकों की बात का पालन करने के लिए मजबूर नहीं किया जाना चाहिए।"



'सर्वगुण संपन्न' में नजर आएंगे इश्वाक सिंह



18 नवंबर 1989 को नई दिल्ली में पैदा हुए एकटर इश्वाक सिंह ने आर्किटेक्ट बनने के लिए पढ़ाई की और दिल्ली के एक थिएटर गुप्त अभिनय की दुनिया में कदम रखा। इश्वाक सिंह अपने करियर में अब तक 'रांझा' (2013), 'अलीगढ़' (2015), 'तमशा' (2015), 'तुम बिन 2' (2016) 'वीर दी वेंडिंग' (2018), 'मलाल' (2019), 'अनपॉज्ड' (2020), 'तुमसे ना हो पाएगा' (2023) और 'बलिन' (2023) जैसी फिल्मों की छाठी-छोटी भूमिकाओं में नजर आ चुके हैं। वेब सीरीज 'पाताल लोक' (2020) के जरिए इश्वाक सिंह ने ओटीटी की दुनिया में कदम रखा। उसके बाद वे 'रॉकेट बॉयज़' (2022-2023) 'अधूरा' (2023) और 'मेड इन हेवन' (2023) जैसी वेब सीरीज में नजर आ चुके हैं। हाल ही में उनके दासा अभिनीत वेब सीरीज 'पाताल लोक सीज़न 2' (2025) रिलीज हुई। इश्वाक सिंह इन दिनों अपनी सरक्सेस को जमकर एन्जॉय कर रहे हैं। उनका कहना है कि इस इंडस्ट्री में हर सफलता आपको अगले मुकाम तक लेकर 'जाती' है और मैं इस सफर को पूरी तरह जी रहा हूँ। टाइम्स 50 मोर्ट्स डिजायरेबल मेन 2020 की लिस्ट में 18वां स्थान हासिल कर चुके इश्वाक सिंह जल्दी ही 'तुमको मेरी गांधारी' और 'सर्वगुण संपन्न' फिल्मों में नजर आएंगे। उनकी पहली दो फिल्मों की शूटिंग चल रही है। जबकि फिल्म 'सर्वगुण संपन्न' का पोस्ट-प्रोडक्शन जारी है। उनकी यह फिल्म इसी साल रिलीज होगी।



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NCM Engages with Sikh Community Leaders to Foster Unity, Empower Youth, and Address Key Social Issues



New Delhi, Focus News: The National Commission for Minorities (NCM) held a significant meeting with Sikh community leaders to discuss key issues related to community building, youth empowerment, education, employability, and the collective fight against drug abuse. The discussions emphasized the need to strengthen social harmony and unity within the Sikh community while fostering interfaith comity. A major focus was placed on empowering the youth through quality education, skill development, and employment opportunities, ensuring they become self-reliant and contribute meaningfully to society. Regarding drug abuse, the participants deliberated on ways to raise awareness, rehabilitate affected individuals, and implement preventive measures. Shri Iqbal Singh Lalpura, Chairman underscored the importance of collaborative efforts between the government, community leaders, and civil society to tackle these challenges effectively. Lalpura also elaborated on various government schemes and initiatives aimed at empowering the Sikh community. He highlighted programs focused on education, skill development, and employment generation to uplift youth and improve their prospects. Emphasizing inclusivity, he assured the community of continued support in tackling social challenges like drug abuse while fostering unity and economic growth through collaborative efforts.

He emphasized the importance of unity and social harmony, highlighting the government's unwavering commitment to safeguarding the rights and welfare of the Sikh population. Encouraging collective efforts, he called for a focus on education, employment, and youth empowerment, ensuring that the Sikh community continues to thrive in a secure and inclusive society. The Sikh participants unanimously welcomed the Government's proactive approach and sincerely thanked the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi. They also expressed their commitment to supporting initiatives aimed at education, skill-building, and employment generation. The participants also showed their resolve to continue working towards a more empowered and prosperous community.

NSO India and IIT Gandhinagar Launch Hackathon to Tackle Real-World Data Challenges by use of Emerging Technology



Gandhinagar, Focus News: Hackathon has received an overwhelming response and brings together bright young minds from across the country for solving the problems faced by practitioners. A total of 700 teams consisting of five members from different educational institutions applied for three use cases related to application of AI/ML in the field of Official Statistics. Out of 700 teams, 19 teams from prestigious institutions such as Indian Institute of Information Technology, Indian Institute of Technology, Thapar Institute of Engineering and Technology, VIT Vellore, University of Delhi, Rajiv Gandhi Institute of Petroleum Technology, National Institute of Technology, Jawaharlal Nehru University, Plaksha University, NMIMS Mumbai, and PSG Institute of Technology and Applied Research etc. have been shortlisted for participation in 36 hour Hackathon started today. During the inaugural session, ADG MoSPI highlighted modernisation initiatives of NSO, India including data innovation lab, eSankhyiki portal etc., emphasizing the role of data-driven solutions in shaping policy and governance. He encouraged participants to approach the problems with creativity and analytical rigor, in the spirit of contribution towards nation-building for Vikshit Bharat.

He also profusely thanked Dr. Rajat Moona and IIT Gandhinagar for collaborating with MoSPI for the Hackathon. Dr. Rajat Moona, Director, IIT Gandhinagar complimented MoSPI for its endeavour to use AI and data innovation for improving official statistics. He appreciated the problem statements shared by the Ministry for this Hackathon as being very relevant to real-world Statistical problems. He extended his best wishes to all teams, expressing confidence that the outcome would be useful to solve the problems in real world scenario. He also expressed his confidence that all the students will be winner, either by winning prize or by enriching their knowledge. He also urged students to seize this opportunity to refine their problem-solving skills and contribute innovative ideas to the field of data science and analytics. Several senior Officers from NSO India and faculty members from IIT Gandhinagar and other institutions were also in present to encourage and support the initiative. The event promises to be an exciting platform for innovation, collaboration, and learning, setting the stage for future advancements in statistical and data-driven decision-making. Hackathon would conclude with the announcement of winners on 23rd March 2025.

Scholars Rally to Shape Intellectual Roadmap for National Maritime Heritage Complex (NMHC)



New Delhi, Focus News: The Union Minister of Ports, Shipping & Waterways (MoPSW), Shri Sarbananda Sonowal chaired an important seminar on the upcoming National Maritime Heritage Complex (NMHC) here today. Sonowal hailed this initiative as a sincere attempt

Cycling not only enhances health but also builds character, says Manuskh Mandaviya during 'Fit India Sundays on Cycle' in Lucknow

New Delhi, Focus News: Honourable Union Minister of Youth Affairs & Sports Dr Mansukh Mandaviya led more than 500 riders during the 'Fit India Sundays on Cycle' here along with Minister of State for Sports & Youth Welfare, Govt of Uttar Pradesh, Girish Chandra Yadav, Principal Secretary (Sports) Manish Chauhan and Secretary (Sports) Uttar Pradesh Suhas Yathiraj. Spreading Honourable Prime Minister Narendra Modi's message of fighting obesity and indulging in a healthy and active lifestyle, Dr Mandaviya said "Cycling not only enhances one's health but also builds character." The Union Sports Minister completed a 3 kilometre ride from Marine Drive (Samajik Parivartan Sthal) to Samta Mulak Chauraha to 1090 Chauraha and back along with senior officials from Sports Authority of India (SAI) and members of MyBharat initiative and Physical Education Foundation of India (PEFI). Organised by SAI's Netaji Subhas Regional Centre in Lucknow, the cycling drive witnessed huge enthusiasm from young boys and girls and 100-plus athletes from the local National Centre of Excellence (NCOE) who also grooved to Zumba performances prior to the cycling drive. Addressing the media after the cycle rally, Dr Mandaviya encouraged citizens to incorporate cycling in their daily routines to fight obesity and reduce air pollution levels across the country. "Cycling not only enhances one's health but also builds character, boosts confidence and shapes the future of our nation. It is not just a mode of transport, but a key step towards a healthier, more sustainable future. By adopting cycling as part of our daily lives, we can improve our physical well-being, reduce pollution and contribute to a greener environment. I urge every citizen to embrace cycling, not only as a hobby but as a regular part of their lifestyle for the

2-week residential programme trains senior and mid-level election officials from Bhutan in election administration



New Delhi, Focus News: The 2-week residential capacity development programme on election administration for 40 senior and mid-level officers from Bhutan concluded on the 21st of March 2025 at IIIDEM, New Delhi. The Hon'ble Election Commissioner of Bhutan also participated in the programme. The programme was held from the 10th to the 21st of March 2025. Chief Election Commissioner (CEC) Gyanesh Kumar along with ECs Dr. Sukhbir Singh Sandhu and Dr. Vivek Joshi met the Election Commissioner of Bhutan Mr. Ugyen Chewang during his call on at ECI on the 18th of March 2025. A valedictory session was held on the 21st of March at IIIDEM. DEC Shri Ajeet Kumar in his opening address, reiterated India's commitment to deepening electoral cooperation and capacity-building engagements with Bhutan. Former CEC Shri T.S. Krishnamurthy also shared his insights on the robust institutional credibility developed by the ECI over decades. The valedictory session concluded with a vote of thanks from EC of Bhutan, Mr. Ugyen Chewang, followed by the distribution of certificates to all participants. The interactive, case-study based training programme covered key aspects of election management, aimed at enhancing electoral management capabilities, sharing international best practices, and fostering stronger institutional cooperation between India and Bhutan. Based on the request of the EC of Bhutan, a two-night visit to Rewalsar, Mandi, Himachal Pradesh was organised from the 15th to 17th March 2025, a revered site associated with Guru Padmasambhava, who introduced Buddhism to Bhutan. The Bhutan EC also planted a Ficus Religiosa (Peepal tree) sapling on campus signifying the mutual values of peace, sustainability, and spiritual wisdom that both nations share on the 19th of March. Regular training programs and visits characterise ECI's engagement with Bhutan.

Nanda, Prof Sushmita Sen, Dr Jeevan Kharakwal, Raghujiroje Shahajiraje Angre, Abhay Kumar Singh among others who shared insights on various aspects of maritime heritage, archaeology and historical trade relations. The Union Minister, Shri Sarbananda Sonowal inaugurated the seminar, reaffirming the government's dedication to develop the NMHC as a world-class hub for maritime research, cultural exchange, and heritage tourism. The core session of the seminar brought together a distinguished panel of eminent experts, including leading scholars, historians, archaeologists, and academicians, who delivered insightful presentations and engaged in in-depth discussions. The deliberations covered a wide array of topics, such as ancient Indian navigation, naval architecture, and shipbuilding techniques. Experts also explored India's historical maritime trade networks with Greco-Roman civilisations and Southeast Asia, as well as the significant role of social and cultural practices in shaping maritime heritage.

Sanjeev Sanyal, Member of the Prime Minister's Economic Advisory Council, addressed the audience, highlighting the profound historical and economic importance of India's maritime heritage. Shri Sanyal underscored the necessity of interdisciplinary research to further bolster the NMHC initiative. Discussions further delved into the influence of religious traditions, folklore, and art on India's seafaring legacy, along with the evolution of maritime defence strategies, notably the rise of Maratha naval power. Additionally, the session highlighted the critical role of conservation architecture and museum studies in safeguarding maritime artefacts. Scholars also presented research on linguistic, literary, and epigraphic evidence related to India's coastal regions and maritime inscriptions, underlining the depth and diversity of India's ancient maritime traditions. The seminar reinforced the Ministry of Ports, Shipping, and Waterways' commitment to developing the NMHC into a world-class maritime heritage centre—promoting research, education, and cultural exchange, while preserving India's rich seafaring legacy for generations to come. This landmark event brought together a distinguished panel of subject matter experts, historians, archaeologists, and maritime scholars to deliberate on key aspects of India's rich maritime legacy and the development of NMHC as a world-class heritage complex.

5000 locations with approximate participation of 2 lakh-plus individuals. The movement also promotes environment-friendly practices to decrease air pollution levels across the country. The initiative is being conducted across multiple States & Union Territories with participation from cycling enthusiasts, athletes, coaches, sports science experts, amongst others. Previously, the cycling event witnessed participation of Indian Army jawans, Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF), Indo-Tibetan Border Police (ITBP) and prominent sports stars like Lovlina Borgohain, Sangram Singh, Shanky Singh, Nitu Ghanghas, Saweety Boora, Paris Paralympics bronze medalist Rubina Francis and Simran Sharma (para world champion) apart from celebrities like Rahul Bose, Amit Sial and Gul Panag, to name a few. The 'Fit India Sundays on Cycle' is organised by the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports (MYAS), in collaboration with the Cycling Federation of India (CFI), My Bikes and MY Bharat. Events are simultaneously held nationwide at SAI Regional Centres, National Centres of Excellence (NCOEs) and the Khelo India centres (KICs).

Indian Institute of Corporate Affairs (IICA) launches Samarthya: National Competition on Corporate Rescue Strategies 2025 at Manesar

New Delhi, The Indian Institute of Corporate Affairs (IICA) inaugurated Samarthya: National Competition on Corporate Rescue Strategies 2025 on March 22, 2025 at its campus in Manesar, Haryana. Taking place on March 22nd and 23rd, 2025, the programme offers a dynamic platform for students to devise innovative turnaround strategies for businesses facing financial distress. The event emphasizes practical learning and strategic thinking in corporate rescue, providing participants with hands-on experience in navigating real-world financial distress scenarios. Participants will analyse financial statements, develop corporate rescue strategies, and present their solutions to a panel of esteemed judges. Additionally, they will engage with insolvency professionals, legal practitioners, and business leaders through panel discussions and networking opportunities. The competition offers valuable industry exposure, expert feedback, and the opportunity to gain recognition for their innovative solutions. The inauguration ceremony commenced with the traditional Lighting of the Lamp, performed by distinguished judges of the event and dignitaries on the dais, symbolizing the formal commencement of the competition by an introduction by the Student Convenors for the event, Ms. Ayushi Agarwal, Ms. Eepsa Bansal, and Ms. Harshitha Ulphas. Following this, Dr. Pyla Narayana Rao, Course Director and Head of the School of Corporate Law, delivered the Inaugural Address, emphasizing the significance of corporate rescue strategies in ensuring business sustainability and financial resilience. Pavithra Ravi, Professor at Gujarat National Law University, delivered the Opening Remarks, offering insights into the competition's objectives. A video message from Mr. Kapileshwar Bhalla, LL.M Faculty, encouraged participants to apply their financial knowledge, critical thinking, and problem-solving skills.

Union Minister Manohar Lal Reviews Power Sector in Odisha

New Delhi, Focus News: Union Minister of Power and Housing & Urban Affairs, Shri Manohar Lal, visited Bhubaneswar and held a detailed review meeting with senior officials of the Government of Odisha on the state's power sector development today. The discussions covered key issues including fly ash utilization, capacity addition, transmission infrastructure, and power allocation. During the meeting, on the issue of achieving fly ash utilization targets Shri Manohar Lal assured that a joint meeting with the Ministries of Coal, Environment, and Railways will be convened to address the issue comprehensively, including the

provision of adequate rail rakes for long-distance transportation of fly ash. Highlighting the need to meet growing power demands, the State Government informed that Odisha currently has 20 GW of operational coal-based thermal power capacity, with an additional 10 GW in the pipeline, expected to be commissioned over the next 5-6 years. The Union Minister encouraged the development of more pit-head thermal power plants in Odisha, including through joint ventures with GENCOS of other states.

On the transmission front, Odisha shared its intra-state planning strategy and recent progress in strengthening supply to cities like Bhubaneswar and Cuttack. Hon'ble Minister was also apprised of the steps taken by the Odisha Power Transmission Corporation Limited (OPTCL) to resolve Right of Way (RoW) issues. He informed that the proposal for establishing a Green Energy Corridor within the intrastate transmission network of Odisha will be taken up by MNRE after March 31, 2025, upon completion of the compilation process. Regarding the inclusion of Odisha in the subsequent phase of the Revamped Distribution Sector Scheme (RDSS), the Union Minister assured that the matter would be taken up appropriately. On power allocation, he stated that Odisha will receive adequate power from Phase-II of NLCIL's Talabira Thermal Power Project in line with Ministry of Power guidelines. The visit reflects the Centre's commitment to strengthening Odisha's power infrastructure and facilitating sustainable growth in the energy sector.

CGST Delhi East Commissionerate encourages greater compliance and awareness among unregistered manufacturers and traders during GST Registration Campaign 2025



New Delhi, Focus News: The Central Goods and Services Tax (CGST) Delhi East Commissionerate successfully launched its GST Registration Campaign on 21st-22nd March, 2025, with the aim of encouraging greater registration and compliance under the Goods and Services Tax (GST) regime. This initiative sought to engage unregistered manufacturers and traders in falling under the jurisdiction of CGST Delhi East to help them understand the importance of registering with the GST Department and complying with the provisions of the law, like:

Hallan Chowk, Old Seelampur, Gole Baithak, Old Seelampur

Jacket Market of Jaffrabad and

Subhash Road, Gandhi Nagar, New Seelampur

GST Helpdesks were set up at the above locations to address queries and help in the GST registration process.

This initiative received a warm and encouraging response from the local trade community, many of whom were previously unregistered, often conducting their transactions primarily in cash, which has a negative impact on the Indian economy. Over the course of the campaign, more than 2,000 queries from traders were addressed by GST officers, who provided valuable assistance with the registration process. The drive proved to be a success, with a significant number of unregistered traders coming forward to voluntarily register their businesses under GST, with more than 100 registration applications being generated on spot after following due process. As part of the outreach efforts, 200 students from reputed Universities were invited to be GST Ambassadors to create awareness for the two-day campaign. These volunteers/GST Ambassadors were closely monitored and guided by a large team of GST officers comprised of 10 Assistant Commissioners/Deputy Commissioners and more than 80 officials. The students actively participated in spreading awareness about GST provisions and assisted traders by going shop-to-shop to brief them about the process and benefits. The students went for door-to-door campaigning and helped conduct survey through aid of pre-decided questionnaire. Standard script was prepared and the student's academic knowledge of Sales/Marketing/Market Survey was leveraged to generate leads for GST officers to follow up later. They distributed 7,500 pamphlets published in Hindi and Urdu, highlighting the provisions of GST Registration. A public announcement system, skits, street plays, mohalla campaigns at different locations were also organised by National School of Drama (NSD) team so that the people are made aware of the importance of payment of tax to the government as well as consequences of non-payment of tax. The successful execution of this campaign marks a crucial step in increasing GST registration among the unorganised sectors, thereby improving compliance and contributing to the overall growth and stability of the Indian economy. The CGST Delhi East Commissionerate remains committed to continuing such initiatives and ensuring that all sectors of trade are brought into the formal economy, fostering greater transparency, accountability, and economic growth. The GST registration campaign was carried out under the overall guidance of Shri Pawan Kumar, Commissioner of CGST Delhi East and Shri Paras Shankhla, Additional Commissioner and executed under close supervision of Shri Jyotiraditya, Additional Commissioner along with the GST officials, including, Anu Joshy, Deputy Commissioner, Shri Mingma Sherpa, Deputy Commissioner, Shri Anshuman Yadav, Assistant Commissioner, K.K. Singh, Assistant Commissioner, Shri Maajood Siddique, Assistant Commissioner, Shri O.P. Meena, Assistant Commissioner and Ms. Akshita Srivastava, Assistant Commissioner. The campaign culminated in a closing ceremony presided over by Shri Mahesh Kumar Rustogi, Director General, Directorate General of Taxpayer Services (DGTS), with an address the student volunteers, trade associations and civic society organisations along with the team of officers and officials. Rustogi highlighted the importance of formalisation of economy in achieving the target of \$5 trillion economy and also enthused the audience to carry on this exercise and wished for a future wherein such campaigns transcend the boundaries of Delhi East CGST to other divisions and finally throughout the country.



Skill gap issues need to be addressed through industry-academia-govt partnerships and apprenticeship-embedded curriculum: Jayant Chaudhary



New Delhi, Focus News: "In today's knowledge driven world, right skill set gives us both the merit as well as national growth" – highlighted Sh. Jayant Chaudhary, Minister of State (Independent Charge), Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship. Speaking as the Chief Guest of the 3rd Annual Technical Festival "EPITOME 2025" of Gati Shakti Vishwavidyalaya Vadodara, through a video conference. Sh. Chaudhary emphasized that "Transportation is all about acceleration, and it accelerates growth. Future of Logistics is green and digital, and AI driven predictive maintenance shall be a key driver". Gati Shakti Vishwavidyalaya successfully concluded its 3rd Annual Tech-Fest "EPITOME 25". The fest over the course of two days covered immersive technical sessions from industry experts, deliberation over technological application for economy growth and display of path-breaking ideas for real world applications. The Minister emphasized the role of Logistics efficiency, and PM Gati Shakti National Master Plan. He mentioned that the investment by the country in multimodal logistics, aviation, railways, maritime etc are opening up global career pathways for the youth. However, the entire sector (Railways, Aviation, Logistics etc) being highly technical in nature, requires highly skilled manpower. Industry, Academia and Government must work in synergy for creating these skilled professionals to reduce errors and increase efficiency. Highlighting the role of Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship, he mentioned that doubling of India's startup ecosystem by 2030, from 1.2 lakh to 2.4 lakh, is projected to create 50 million jobs, including direct white-collar roles, gig economy opportunities, and indirect jobs across industries and; therefore sector-specific skilling programs and encouraging startup culture are extremely important. The Govt of India has recently announced 60,000 crores scheme to upgrade ITIs. Strongly praising the "Industry-driven" approach of Gati Shakti Vishwavidyalaya, Sh. Chaudhary advised the university to partner and mentor NSTIs to significantly enhance the reskilling and upskilling initiatives. The event was a hub of exchanging ideas, fostering steadfast collaborations, mentoring of young minds along with exploring and forming new alliances. It featured addresses from various industry leaders and from entities of social significance all highlighting the role of education institutes in cultivating young minds to reinforce and propel India towards Viksit Bharat by 2047. The 2-day technical festival with the theme "Transport 360: Land, Air, Sea and Beyond" attracted several top companies in the sector. Speaking on the occasion, Dr. Hemang Joshi (MP of Vadodara) spoke about the PM's vision of Viksit Bharat 2047 and very important role of Gati Shakti Vishwavidyalaya in it.

KEEL LAYING OF SECOND AND THIRD NEXT GENERATION OFFSHORE PATROL VESSELS (YARD 1281 AND 1282)

New Delhi, Focus News: Keel Laying ceremony of the second and third Next Generation Offshore Patrol Vessels (NGOPV), to be constructed by Goa Shipyard Ltd (GSL), was held at M/s Yeoman Marine Services Private Ltd (YMSPL), Ratnagiri on 23 Mar 25. The contracts for indigenous design and construction of 11 NGOPVs were concluded on 30 Mar 23 between Ministry of Defence and GSL, Goa and M/s Garden Reach Shipbuilders and Engineers (GRSE), Kolkata, with seven ships to be constructed by Lead Shipyard M/s GSL and four ships by Follow Shipyard M/s GRSE. Main hull blocks of Yard 1281 and Yard 1282 are being fabricated at the premises of YMSPL, Ratnagiri as part of GSL's build strategy. Keel Laying ceremony of both the vessels was held at Ratnagiri with V Adm R Swaminathan, Controller Warship Production & Acquisition as the Chief Guest, in the presence of senior officials from Indian Navy, M/s GSL and M/s YMSPL. The NGOPVs with an approximate tonnage of 3000T, are designed for Coastal Defence & Surveillance, Search & Rescue operations, Protection of Offshore Assets and Anti-Piracy missions. Keel Laying of these vessels marks a significant milestone in the overall project timeline. The 11 NGOPVs are being built in consonance with the nation's vision of 'Atmanirbhar Bharat' and 'Make in India' and are poised to augment the Indian Naval maritime prowess.

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