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PRESS RELEASE

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- Hon'ble Chief Minister Sri Naveen Patnaik today visited Ekamra Kshetra Development Project. He said that a special legislation shall be enacted for Ekamra Kshetra development in the line of Puri Shreemandir legislation.
- Hon'ble Chief Minister expressed hope that efforts for the implementation of the project under 5-T initiative shall attract more tourists and develop the heritage city Bhubaneswar into a major tourist destination. Hon'ble Chief Minister also thanked all for the co-operation extended for the success of the project.
- Hon'ble Chief Minister visited Padaharaa pond and reviewed the project works at Bindusagar Mathaghat. He also praised the people who donated lands for the project. The Servitors also expressed their gratitude to Hon'ble Chief Minister for a number of development works undertaken from Bindusagar to Old Bhubaneswar.
- Hon'ble Minister Sri Ashok Chandra Panda, Hon'ble MLA Sri Ananta Narayan Jena, Hon'ble MLA Sri Sushant Rout, Development Commissioner Sri Suresh Chandra Mohapatra, Secretary to Hon'ble Chief Minister (5-T) Sri V.K. Pandian, Police Commissioner Sri Sudhansu Sarangi, Secretary, Works Sri Kishan Kumar, Commissioner, BMC Sri Premchand Choudhary and other senior officers were present during the visit.
- Chief Secretary Sri Asit Tripathy presided over the State level coordination meeting on Kenduleaf operation in the State and directed to do more bush cutting in convergence with MGNREGS to yield more production and procurement. It was known from the meeting that beating the adverse weather condition in February and March along with Covid Lockdown and Shutdown the operations are set to generate a Trade Surplus of Rs. 100 Crore during the current year.

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- Development Commissioner Sri Suresh Chandra Mohapatra, Additional Chief Secretary, Forest and Environment, Dr. Mona Sharma, Principal Secretary, Finance, Sri Ashok Kumar Meena, Principal Chief Conservator of Forests Sri Sandeep Tripathy, Principal Chief Conservator of Forest (Kenduleaf) Sri Pravakar Behera along with senior officers of concerned Departments participated in the discussion.
- From 1st December to 2nd December morning, 1 case has been registered, 7 people arrested, 624 vehicles seized and fine of Rs. 25,84,000/- has been collected by the Odisha Police in the state for violation of different regulations and guidelines related to COVID-19.

Health Update

- Up to midnight of 1st December, 59,77,970 samples have been tested.
- Number of Positive Cases stands 3,19,583.
- 3,12,734 persons have already recovered/ discharged.
- No. of Death case 1750.
- No of active cases are 5,046.
- 5,046 persons are in Hospital isolation.

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