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PRESS RELEASE

Bhubaneswar 16/12/2020,

- Hon'ble Chief Minister Sri Naveen Patnaik through a video conference today, launched 'Pareshram' Portal along with 22 online services of Labour and Employees State Insurance Department. Hon'ble Chief Minister hoped that the Portal and the Online Services shall be helpful in Ease of Doing Business and contribute significantly to industrial development of the State.
- Hon'ble Chief Minister while saying that technology is the foundation of 5-T initiative and this will help in transformation, hoped that information regarding different Labour Laws will be available and industries, commercial organisations, small entrepreneurs and public will be benefited through this Portal.
- Stating that the Portal will provide 52 types of services in coming days, Hon'ble Chief Minister advised the officers and employees of Labour and ESI Department to timely deliver the services sincerely.
- Hon'ble Minister, Labour and ESI Sri Susant Singh, Development Commissioner Sri Suresh Chandra Mohapatra, Principal Secretary, MSME, Sri Satyabrata Sahoo, Principal Secretary, Industries, Sri Hemant Sharma, Principal Secretary, Labour and ESI, Smt. Chitra Arumugam, Secretary to Hon'ble Chief Minister (5-T) Sri V.K. Pandian, Secretary, Labour Sri T. Nayak and Secretary, IT Sri manoj Mishra were present in the programme.
- Hon'ble Chief Minister paid humble tributes to Maharaja Sriram Chandra Bhanjdeo, pioneer in the movement for Odia Language and Separate Statehood for Odisha on his 150th Birth Anniversary. His contribution towards giving a new direction to the development of State and promotion of Odia language, literature, health, administrative service and education will be remembered for ever, Hon'ble Chief Minister said.
- Hon'ble Chief Minister congratulated Defence Research and Development Organisation(DRDO), India on the successful test firing of surface-to-surface Prithvi-II missile off the coast of Balasore, Odisha.

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- Hon'ble Chief Minister congratulated Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) on the successful launch of PSLVC50 carrying CMS01 communication satellite. The satellite will strengthen telecom services in Extended-C Band frequency across the country including Andaman and Nicobar and Lakshadweep islands, he said.
- Hon'ble Chief Minister wrote to Hon'ble Union Minister of Ministry of Labour Shri Santosh Gangwar to address the grievances of EPF pensioners by recasting their pension structure. Hon'ble Chief Minister wrote that it will benefit EPF pensioners throughout India, including around 1.62 lakh pensioners in Odisha.
- Hon'ble Chief Minister congratulated all the Skilled in Odisha professionals for their success in the 110th All India Trade Test for Apprentices. He expressed his delight to see State's focused attention to build a robust Skilled in Odisha ecosystem to prepare our youth for the world, is getting recognised.
- Rich tributes were offered to Maharaja Sriram Chandra Bhanjdeo on his 150th Birth Anniversary today. Information and Public Relations Department organised the Anniversary programme in virtual mode in which Hon'ble Minister, Information and Public Relations, Water Resources Sri Raghunandan Das, State Information Commissioner, Sri Dillip Bisoi, Director, I&PR Department Sri Krupasindhu Mishra, Editor, 'Odisha Review' and 'Utkal Prasanga' Dr. Lenin Mohanty, Ex-Joint Director of I&PR Department Sri Bibekananda Biswal discussed on the life and works of Late Maharaja.
- From 16th December to 17th December morning, 8 people arrested, 692 vehicles seized and fine of Rs. 22,51,150/- 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 16th December, 65,02,451 samples have been tested.
- Number of Positive Cases stands 3,25,147.
- 3,20,208 persons have already recovered/ discharged.
- No. of Death case 1825.
- No of active cases are 3,061.
- 3,061 persons are in Hospital isolation.

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