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- Hon'ble Chief Minister Sri Naveen Patnaik has instructed a High level team to visit Temple of Goddess Samaleswari today for effecting its peripheral development and beautification. The project will be implemented under 5-T and completed within two years.
- Sri Asit Tripathy, Chiarmen, WODC, Sri Suresh Chandra Mohapatra, Chief Secretary, Sri V.K. Pandian, Secretary to Hon'ble Chief Minister(5-T) visited Sambalpur and held detail discussions.
- Hon'ble Chief Minister paid humble tributes to Bhaktakabi Madhusudan Rao, pioneer of Odia language movement and writer of Chabila Madhu Barnabodha on his Birth Anniversary. Madhusudan Rao will be remembered for his contribution in propagation of Odia language and literature through Utkal Sahitya Samaj and as an ideal teacher, poet and social reformer, Hon'ble Chief Minister said.
- Hon'ble Chief Minister paid humble tributes to eminent freedom fighter and Social worker Parbati Giri on her Birth Anniversary. She will be remembered for ever for her lifelong dedicated work for the welfare of women, children, destitute and unprivileged as well as the service to the Nation, Hon'ble Chief Minister said.
- Hon'ble Chief Minister congratulated Team India on their spectacular victory at the Gabba, Brisbane winning the Test Series 2-1, to retain Border-Gavaskar Trophy. Saying that all round performance from the young players helped the touring team win the series emphatically, Hon'ble Chief Minister conveyed best wishes to the team.
- Hon'ble Chief Minister congratulated District Administration, Nabarangpur for receiving SKOCH Award (Silver) in Water Category for Construction of Water Harvesting Structure through Check Dam and District Administration, Koraput in Agriculture Category for Zero Energy Consumed Gravity Field Spring Based Irrigation System.

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- Hon'ble Chief Minister congratulated Electronics and Information Technology Department, Odisha on receiving SKOCH Group Silver Award for Covid Odisha Project and OCAC, Odisha's 'Mo Sarkar' project qualifying for semi-finals at Skoch Award 2020. Thrust on technology continues to be the focus area of Odisha Government to bring transformation in service delivery, he said.
- Hon'ble Chief Minister congratulated District Administration, Keonjhar on generating 1 crore person days under MGNREGA in a financial year. As part of Odisha Government's effort to provide livelihood support to the people, wage employment is being created under the programme across the State, he said.
- Hon'ble Chief Minister said that by providing WSHGs more funds, these will be further strengthened. Mission Shakti has organised a mega Mission Shakti bank linkage mela at Phulbani under the chairmanship of District Magistrate, Kandhamal. 726 WSHGs were provided with Bank Credit linkage of ₹ 11.09 crores through this initiative, he added.
- Hon'ble Chief Minister said that Rajalaxmi Pradhan of Rampur-Udayagiri, Gajapati District has been self employed and shows path of employment to more than 1000 women by creating Women Self Help Group. Her work for economic liberty of rural women is an instance for others, Hon'ble Chief Minister added.

Health Update

- Up to midnight of 18th January, 74,26,091 samples have been tested.
- Number of Positive Cases stands 3,33,566.
- 3,29,801 persons have already recovered/ discharged.
- No. of Death case 1902.
- No of active cases are 1,810.
- 1,810 persons are in Hospital isolation.

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