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- Hon'ble Chief Minister Sri Naveen Patnaik today directed to work on World Class infrastructure development in Konark area, as part of Puri World Heritage Project under 5-T initiative. Describing Konark as a unique marvel of Kalingan sculpture, Hon'ble Chief Minister said that Konark Heritage Project will be undertaken to attract more tourist and to ensure its conservation.
- Hon'ble Chief Minister said that 3.5 KM stretched outer ring-road will be converted into 6 laned and roads connecting Konark will be developed. An entry plaza will be constructed to greet the tourists and landscaping of about 30 Acres of land in front of the temple will be worked out. He further said that facilities such as multi-model hub for parking of vehicles, special roads for pedestrians and renovation of open air amphitheatre will be undertaken.
- Hon'ble Minister, Sports and Youth Services Sri Tusharkanti Behera, Chief Secretary Sri Suresh Chandra Mohapatra, Secretary, Works and senior officers attended the meeting while Secretary to Hon'ble Chief Minister (5-T) Sri V.K. Pandian coordinated. General public is requested to provide feedback on the development action plan of Konark through e-mail (konark.obcc@gmail .com) within 21 days.
- Hon'ble Chief Minister congratulated Odisha Adarsha Vidyalaya, Notar, Nayagarh on winning first prize in the online idea competition during Road Safety Week-2020. He appreciated the effort of our students to spread traffic awareness so lucidly to protect precious lives.
- Hon'ble Chief Minister said that the oldest tribal festival of India, the Adivasi Mela of Odisha showcases the finest art, culture and craftsmanship preserved over centuries and gives glimpses of way of life of 62 tribes including 13 PVTGs. He appealed all to come and experience the best of tribal heritage at Adivasi Mela-2021.

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- Hon'ble Chief Minister congratulated Odisha born Siddhartha Mohanty on being appointed as the managing director of Life Insurance Corporation. Hon'ble Chief Minister wished Mr Mohanty a successful tenure.
- Hon'ble Chief Minister congratulated District Administration, Sundargarh on qualifying for semi-finals of Skoch Award-2020 for adoption of best practices by District Mineral Foundation. State Government continues to focus on welfare of people affected by mining related operations, he said.

Health Update

- Up to midnight of 20th January, 74,77,757 samples have been tested.
- Number of Positive Cases stands 3,33,866.
- 3,30,321 persons have already recovered/ discharged.
- No. of Death case 1903.
- No of active cases are 1,589.
- 1,589 persons are in Hospital isolation.

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