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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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- Hon'ble Chief Minister Sri Naveen Patnaik expressed happiness that Odisha has emerged as a leading State in COVID-19 Vaccination drive with 1.5 lakh total vaccinated beneficiaries and 3452.81 vaccinations per million populace. With all necessary arrangements made in time, State Government has managed the vaccination process efficiently so far, he added.
- Hon'ble Chief Minister on National Girl Child Day, urged to take a moment to celebrate the courage of our girls who are breaking boundaries everyday to achieve their dreams. He called upon to remain steadfast in our resolve to remove every barrier to help them realise their true potential.
- Hon'ble Chief Minister on International Day of Education today, said that education is integral to progress and unlocking of the true potential of an individual. He called upon to reaffirm the pledge to transform our country into an intellectually advanced society through high quality education.
- Hon'ble Chief Minister expressed grief over the demise of eminent wrestler Gopalkrushna Mohapatra. Saying that his footprints of success in the world of sports will make him remembered forever, Hon'ble Chief Minister condoled the bereaved family and wished the soul rest in peace.
- Hon'ble Chief Minister said that as part of 'Mo School Odisha' initiative, Senior IAS officers in the State have come forward to adopt Government schools. The officers will ensure holistic development of the schools by coordinating with different departments, he added.
- Hon'ble Chief Minister said that Odisha will provide the public with full access to State Budget 2021-22 document even as it is presented in the Assembly. This initiative is first in the country and will set an example by ushering in an era of transparency and responsible governance, he added.
- Rich tributes were paid to Buxi Jagabandhu, extraordinary leader of Paika Rebellion today, on his death anniversary, through a programme held in Bhubaneswar organised by Information and Public Relations Department.

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Historian Prof. Dr. Narayan Rao, Editor of 'Utkal Prasanga' and 'Odisha Review' Dr. Lenin Mohanty and Director of the Department Sri Krupasindhu Mishra spoke on the occasion. Hon'ble MLA Sri Prasanta Jagdev and Chairperson, Odisha State Commission for Protection of Child Rights Ms. Sandhyabati Pradhan also attended in virtual platform.

### **Health Update**

- Up to midnight of 23<sup>rd</sup> January, 75,48,428 samples have been tested.
- Number of Positive Cases stands 3,34,300.
- 3,30,962 persons have already recovered/ discharged.
- No. of Death case 1905.
- No of active cases are 1,380.
- 1,380 persons are in Hospital isolation.

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