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- Hon'ble Chief Minister Sri Naveen Patnaik today rolled out 18 Highway Patrolling Units in 18 stretches of various State and National Highways on virtual platform. Launching these units, the Chief Minister said that these units will play a crucial role in saving the lives of accident victims on highways.
- Hon'ble Chief Minister said that State Government has a target of creating 36 Patrolling Units in various accident prone stretches. The functioning and experience of these 18 Units in the first phase will guide us for further action and future initiatives. He asked the officials to resume more sensitization initiatives for drivers on various road safety mechanisms and laws relating to it.
- Hon'ble Minister (State), Home Captain Dibya Shankar Mishra, Chief Secretary, Development Commissioner, Additional Chief Secretary, Home, DG, Police and senior Officers of Home Department and State Police were present while Secretary to Hon'ble Chief Minister (5-T) moderated the programme.
- Hon'ble Chief Minister today on the occasion of Coast Guard Day, conveyed greetings and best wishes to Indian Coast Guard personnel and families. Hon'ble Chief Minister saluted to their courage and dedication in protecting our sea coasts with exemplary commitment and impeccable service.
- Hon'ble Chief Minister congratulated women Covid Warriors of Odisha on being felicitated by NCW India and Union Minister Sri Prakash Javdekar for leading state's fight against the pandemic. From ANMs to health workers to police, these women displayed exceptional grit and determination in dispensing their duties, Hon'ble Chief Minister said.
- Hon'ble Chief Minister expressed grief over the loss of precious lives in the road accident near Kotpad in Koraput district. He condoled the bereaved families in this hour of grief and prayed for the speedy recovery of all the injured.
- Hon'ble Chief Minister said that State Government has demanded the Centre to approve a five-year integrated management plan for proper conservation and

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management of the Ansupa lake. The proposed project will protect the biodiversity of the lake and boost tourism, he added.

- Hon'ble Chief Minister said that State public sector undertaking OPTCL, Odisha has signed an MoU with IIT, Bhubaneswar for the establishment of OPTCL Chair in the premier engineering institute. This collaboration will usher in a new era of research and development in Odisha's power sector, he added.
- Hon'ble Chief Minister said that State Government will launch a wage scheme Mukhyamantri Karma Tatpara Abhiyan (MUKTA) to create livelihood opportunities for urban poor, informal and migrant labourers. It will help create ecologically sustainable and climate resilient community assets, he added.
- Hon'ble Chief Minister said that Special 'Urban Cleanliness Scheme' (Saharanchala Swachha Yojana) of Government in Housing and Urban Development Department, Odisha has been proved successful in waste management and employment generation. 55 Self Help Groups with 2118 Swachha Sathi of the State are engaged in waste collection, segregation, composting etc., he added.
- Sri Subrato Bagchi, Chairman, Odisha Skill Development Authority and Sri Sanjay Kumar Singh, Secretary, Skill Development and Technical Education, I&PR and CMD, IDCO today inaugurated the newly constructed Girls' Hostel of Berhampur Industrial Training Institute. The hostel is equipped with all modern facilities including provision of indoor and outdoor games. This modern hostel is constructed with assistance of IDCO.
- Sri Bagchi and Sri Singh also inaugurated the map of India in the Open-Air Scrap Sculpture Park in the premises of ITI, Berhampur and highly praised the students for their skill in developing cost effective inverters. They also visited Nettore Technical Training Foundation (NTTF) in Gopalpur.
- Today in 10 sessions 1,038 Health Care Workers (HCWs) are vaccinated out of 1,218 target beneficiaries. Today 85.2% beneficiaries are vaccinated while no Adverse Events Following Immunization (AEFI) is reported.

Health Update

- Up to midnight of 31st January, 77,31,759 samples have been tested.
- Number of Positive Cases stands 3,35,151.
- 3,32,103 persons have already recovered/ discharged.
- No. of Death case 1906.
- No of active cases are 1,089.
- 1,089 persons are in Hospital isolation.

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