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## **PRESS RELEASE**

Bhubaneswar 19/03/2021,

- Hon'ble Chief Minister Sri Naveen Patnaik today launched Dial 112, an Emergency Response Support System through Video Conference. Dedicating the system, Hon'ble Chief Minister said that from now on, people will dial only a single number 112 for all their emergency needs related to police, fire service, health, disaster and any other emergency in times of distress.
- Hon'ble Chief Minister also inaugurated the state-of-the-art State Emergency Response Centre and flagged off the Emergency Response Vehicles fitted with Mobile Data Terminals. The Government of Odisha has allocated Rs. 157.12 Crore and 2500 posts for this project. With the introduction of this new response system, the existing emergency numbers like Police 100, Fire 101, and Ambulance 108-102 will be integrated into the unified toll free number 112 in a phased manner, he added.
  - Hon'ble Chief Minister expressing happiness over the new system, said that it will provide a round-the-clock service with a facility of receiving inputs from various voice and data services such as voice calls, SMS, emails, panic-SOS requests and even web requests through a specially created 112 India App.
  - Hon'ble Chief Minister said that the Emergency Response Centre has been digitally connected to 34 District Coordination Centres at district level and suitably located Emergency Response Vehicles. He appealed the people to download 112 India Mobile App and register themselves as 112 Volunteers to help others in their locality during any distress.
  - Hon'ble Minister of State for Home Shri Dibya Shankar Mishra, Chief Secretary Shri Suresh Chandra Mohapatra, Development Commissioner, ACS Home, DGP Shri Abhay, Principal Secretary Women & Child Development, Senior Officers of Home department were present while Secretary to Hon'ble Chief Minister (5-T) Shri V. K. Pandian moderated the programme.

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- Hon'ble Chief Minister said that Directorate of Technical Education & Training (DTET), Odisha has signed an MoU with MESSER Cutting Systems India Pvt Ltd to set up Thermal Cutting and Welding Centre of Excellence (CoE) at ITI Jajpur. The Centre of Excellence will be set up at a cost of ₹5.25 Cr to hone the skills of Skilled In Odisha students, he added.
- Hon'ble Chief Minister said that Millets Odisha signed an MoA with United Nation World Food Programme (UNWFP), India to provide technical support in mainstreaming climate adaptable nutri-cereals in PDS, MDM and ICDS and organise global policy dialogues to showcase Odisha Millet Mission experiences in other countries.
- Hon'ble Chief Minister said that the State Government has started the process of setting up one multi-product park in each district to promote the MSME sector in the state. Work is now underway in 7 districts with an estimated cost of Rs 10 Crore per district, he added.

### **Health Update**

- Up to midnight of 18<sup>th</sup> March, 87,36,689 samples have been tested.
- Number of Positive Cases stands 3,38,599.
- 3,35,923 persons have already recovered/ discharged.
- No. of Death case 1918.
- No of active cases are 705.
- 705 persons are in Hospital isolation.

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