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Human chain to be formed in Panaji for Mhadei today

PANAJI: In a community engagement initiative a group of artists, heritage activists, professionals and literary figures have joined hands with organisations involved with the Save Mhadei Movement to organise ‘Mhadei Amchi Mai’ on Saturday afternoon which will involve multiple activities including a ‘human chain’ along a seven-kilometer route along the river’s banks in the capital city.
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HPCC meet on Sonsodo to be held on May 22

MARGAO: With the Margao Municipal Council caught napping on addressing the Sonsodo imbroglio, Chief Minister Pramod Sawant has called for a meeting of the High Powered Coordination Committee headed by him to discuss the entire gamut of issues plaguing the waste dumping site on May 22.
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3 youth booked for bike stunts on roads

PANAJI: Three more youth were booked by police for performing bike stunts on the roads at Curchorem and Verna after videos of their stunts went viral on social media. Their bikes have also been seized. On Thursday, Mapusa police had booked a 20-year-old youth for performing similar stunts on the road.

Milk farmers to vote in Goa Dairy polls: CM

PANAJI: The milk farmers will soon get rights to vote and elect members and chairman of Goa Dairy. Speaking at Goa Krishi Mahotsav, 2023 in Ponda, Chief Minister Pramod Sawant said that the Administrator of Goa Dairy has been asked to hold re-elections of Goa Dairy by amending the rules.

WEATHER >>

Max: 36 C

Min: 25 C

Humidity: 81%

TIDES

Low: 04.53 17.30

High: 11.58 22.41

RBI to withdraw ₹2,000 notes from circulation

NOTES CAN BE EXCHANGED, DEPOSITED UP TO SEPT 30

PTI


NEW DELHI
In a surprise move, the Reserve Bank on Friday announced withdrawal of Rs 2,000 currency notes from circulation but gave public time till September 30 to either deposit such notes in accounts or exchange them at banks.
Unlike the November 2016 shock demonetisation when old Rs 500 and Rs 1,000 notes were invalidated overnight, the Rs 2,000 notes will continue to be a legal tender till September 30.
The Reserve Bank of India (RBI), however, did not say what would be the status of 2,000 notes in private hands after September 30. Earlier, the government had made it an offence to hold the demon-

THE ROAD AHEAD FOR ₹2000

■ Public can deposit Rs 2,000 bank notes into their accounts and/or exchange them into banknotes of other denominations at any bank branch

■ Deposit into bank accounts can be made without restrictions and subject to extant instructions and other applicable provisions

■ Exchange of Rs 2,000 bank notes into bank notes of other denominations



provisions

■ Exchange of Rs 2,000 bank notes into bank notes of other denominations

can be made up to a limit of Rs 20,000 at a time from May 23

■ Banks to provide deposit and/or exchange facility for Rs 2,000 until September 30

■ Facility also provided at 19 Regional Offices (ROs) of RBI having Issue Departments


When asked on what will happen to the currency notes not deposited before September 30, he said banks will have a proper system to handle it.

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Swindon Council gets first Goan, Indian Dy Mayor

LUI GODINHO

LONDON
The Swindon Council in the UK got its first-ever Indian and Goan deputy mayor, when Councillor Imtiyaz Shaikh was appointed to the second highest post in the council on Friday.
The annual general meeting to appoint the mayor and deputy mayor to the Swindon Council took place on Friday and Shaikh received overall majority across the chamber for his appointment.
Imtiyaz, who hails from Vasco, has been serving in the Swindon Council for two terms.
Incidentally, his wife, Adorabelle Amaral-Shaikh, got re-elected in the local Borough elections in Central Ward Swindon on May 4 and she has also been included in the Council cabinet with the portfolio for education.
By virtue of Imtiyaz being elected deputy mayor, his



wife, Adorabelle, will now be referred to as Deputy Mayor-ess.
Barbara Parry was appointed as Mayor of Swindon Council and Imtiyaz will be her deputy with no specific portfolio assigned to him.
When contacted, Imtiyaz Shaikh said he was delighted to be given this senior responsibility in the Swindon Council.

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Central minister throws no light on LED fishing

■ SAYS SCIENTIFIC STUDY NEEDED TO REVOKE BAN

■ MOOTS WOMEN GROUPS TO FACILITATE EXPORTS

THE GOAN | NETWORK

MARGAO
Asserting that the Centre will take a call on the ban imposed on fishing by LED lights only after conducting a scientific study, Union Minister for Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying Parshottam Rupala on Friday rang in good news for women engaged in fishing activity saying the Centre will consider bringing together women Self Help Groups under the market linkage to facilitate fish export, promising to provide technical support to take the concept forward.
The Union Minister also underscored the need to maintain Goa's ecosystem, saying Goa is a beautiful place visited by domestic and international visitors.
Addressing fishing stakeholders, including exporters, fishermen and mechanized boat owners as part of the Sagar Parikrama programme, wherein a strong case was made out for lifting the ban on fishing with LED lights, the Union Minister said “since a case was made out for lifting on the ban citing a scientific study, the Centre will take a call on the issue also after a thorough scientific study”.



Union Fisheries Minister Parshottam Rupala in Margao on Friday.
Santosh Mirajkar

He said the Centre will take into cognizance the fishing practices at the national and international level, and carry out a scientific study before taking a call on fishing with LED lights.
The Union Minister's stand assumes significance and comes against the backdrop of the fact that the issue of fishing with LED lights is being closely monitored by the High Court. In fact, strict directions have gone to authorities, including the Fisheries Department and the Goa Police to crack a whip against vessels involved in LED fishing.
“Someone from the boat

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Stakeholders demand upgrading fishing jetties on par with European standards

Minister calls for increasing fish exports, but ‘mum’ on making it affordable to Goans

owners have called for a re-think on fishing by LED lights by citing a scientific study. I will also go for a scientific study on the issue before taking a decision and after checking the national and internal practices”, he said, adding “We have to maintain the ecosystem and take development forward. If LED fishing is a good technology, we will have to work out a scientific solution and move forward. We will think only after a scientific study”.

The Union Minister was impressed over the suggestion made by Benaullim MLA Venzy Viegas that women self Help groups can be organized for the export of fish. “I understand that while the men

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No proof of price manipulation, SC panel on Adani controversy

PTI

NEW DELHI
In a relief to embattled billionaire Gautam Adani, a Supreme Court-appointed committee said it has found no evidence of stock price manipulation in Adani group companies, while a separate Sebi probe into alleged violation in money flows from offshore entities has “drawn a blank”.
The panel, however, said there was evidence of a build-up in short positions on Adani Group stocks ahead of the report of Hindenburg Research that alleged fraud, stock manipulation, and money laundering at the apples-to-port group. Profits were earned from squaring off positions after prices crashed post-publication of the allegations.
Financial crime-fighting agency Enforcement Directorate (ED) “found intelligence about potentially violative and concerted selling by specific parties just ahead of the publication of the Hindenburg report, and this may lead to credible charges of concerted destabilisation of the Indian markets, and Sebi ought to be probing such actions under securities laws,” it said citing a response from ED.
Suspicious trading has been observed on the part of six entities. Of these, four are FPIs, one body corporate and one individual.


Is your vehicle 15-yr-old? Then it's time to scrap it

■ GOVT NOTIFIES VEHICLE SCRAPPING POLICY

■ GOA HAS 1.92L VEHICLES ‘FIT’ TO SCRAP

THE GOAN | NETWORK

PANAJI
In line with the Centre's government's vehicle scrapping policy, the Government of Goa on Friday notified the Registered Vehicle Scrapping Policy of Goa, 2023, providing comprehensive guidelines for the scrapping of old and unfit vehicles in both -- transport and non-transport categories.
Initially, 1.92 lakh vehicles over 15 years old -- eligible for scrapping -- will come under its ambit with the policy to be enforced for five years, in the first phase.
As per the data of the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, 1.2 crore End-of-Life Vehicles (ELVs) pan-India are estimated to be without valid Registration Certificates and Fitness Certificates.
Out of these, 1.92 lakh approx vehicles in Goa are fit for scrapping.
Over the course of the next five years, additional 3.5 lakh vehicles registered in Goa will cross the age of 15 and a substantial number of these ELVs will be from the commercial category.
“...Goa has formulated the Policy-2023 with objectives to reduce pollution by scrap-



FACTS & FIGURES

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ping old and unfit vehicles; improve road, passenger and vehicular safety, boost auto sector and generate employment, improve fuel efficiency and reduce maintenance cost for vehicle owners, formalize the current informal vehicle scrapping industry in Goa, boost availability of low-cost raw materials for automotive, steel and electronic industry, promote recycling of vehicle

scrap in a scientific manner as well as circular economy in an eco-friendly manner,” reads the notification by Transport Department.
The policy also includes incentives for individuals who voluntarily submit their old vehicles to the Registered Vehicle Scrapping Facility (RVSF) as the government

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Salaries of civic chiefs, councillors to double

THE GOAN | NETWORK

PANAJI
The State government has proposed almost doubling the salaries of chairpersons and councillors of municipal councils in the State.
The proposal to amend the Goa Municipalities (Chairpersons and other Councillors' Emoluments) Rules, 1970, was pre-published in the form of a notification by Gurudas Pilarnekar, the Director of Municipal Administration and Urban Development, who is also ex-officio Additional Secretary to the government.
According to the changed rules, chairpersons of the three classes of municipalities

HC slams babus for misusing powers under Section 144

QUASHES DM'S ORDER AGAINST SIOLIM PREACHERS

THE GOAN | NETWORK

PANAJI
The High Court of Bombay at Goa has expressed disappointment over the recent trend of authorities misusing and exploiting their powers.
The observations by Vacation Bench of Justices Mahesh Sonak and Valmiki Menezes come while setting aside and quashing the North District Collector's order banning a couple from carrying out religious activities following allegations of forceful conversions.


KEY HC OBSERVATION

■ We take note of the fact that there has been a tendency of late for the authorities to abuse and misuse powers vested in them under provisions of Sec 144, by passing preventive orders either on concocted material or on basis of reports which actually do not spell out any factual basis for exercising jurisdiction under Sec 144

“We take note of the fact that there has been a tendency of late for the authorities to abuse and misuse the powers vested in them under the provisions of Section 144 of the (Criminal Procedure) Code, by passing preventive orders either concocted material or

on the basis of reports which actually do not spell out any factual basis for exercising jurisdiction under Section 144 of the Code,” reads the order in response to a petition by Joan Mascarenhas E D'Souza.

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PRETTAL SWEENZEL FERNANDES

(SARPANCH, V. P. AGONDA)

For being unanimously elected as the youngest Sarpanch of Village Panchayat of Agonda.

We wish you all the Best, Bright and Service-Oriented Future.

Your Loving -

Dada(Agnelo Fernandes), Brother/Sister-in-law (Aaron/Priyanka) & all Family.

Research studentships set up at Oxford University in honour of Goan scientist

Joseph Rufino Cordeiro invented a digital meteorological measurement system which was granted 2 patents in UK in 1983. His expertise in radio navigational aids and communication became recognised worldwide and his design skills were utilised in 27 international airports around the world

LUI GODINHO
THE GOAN NETWORK | LONDON

In a unique initiative, the Joseph Rufino Cordeiro Foundation has announced a collaboration with the University of Oxford on May 12, to sponsor inaugural summer research studentships in Sustainable Chemistry and accommodation at Worcester College to encourage and nurture Goan or Indian students.

The Joseph Rufino Cordeiro Foundation has been founded by Mary Anne Cordeiro to honour the memory and legacy of her late father, Joseph Rufino Cordeiro, a brilliant Goan scientist and inventor, whose expertise in radio navigational aids and communication became recognised worldwide.

EARLY LIFE

Rufino was born in Mombasa, Kenya, on April 23, 1924, but went to school in Goa, Belgaum and Pune, while his mother completed the construction of their family home in Saligao.

“He was a polymath and although his passion was always science and medicine, Rufino eventually graduated with a BSc from Ferguson College in Physics and an MSc in Electronics awarded by St Xavier’s College, University of Bombay,” informed his daughter Mary Anne.

Rufino’s first professional role was in Gwalior where he was hired by the Holkar to run his private airport, but his father was keen that Rufino relocate to Kenya where he believed his son would be able to find better prospects.

ACHIEVEMENTS

As his father predicted, Rufino transitioned quickly into a prestigious job with International Aeradio (IAL) in Nairobi in 1952, and later was head consultant of the Directorate of Civil Aviation in Kenya. There, he met his future wife soon after he arrived in Nairobi, and they married after his 7-year single-minded courtship of Lira in 1959.

In 1969, the young family moved to the UK for the sake of their three daughters’ education. Rufino continued to work for IAL in London for another 10 years, during which his expertise in radio navigational aids and communication became recognised worldwide.

He continued to work in similar roles for other international aeronautic companies until he retired in 1989. His design skills were utilised around the world in 27 international airports, including Abu Dhabi, Brunei, Malawi, Mauritius, Nigeria and Singapore.

One of Rufino’s proudest achievements was the invention of a digital Meteorological Measurement System for the quantification of wind speed and direction, which was granted two patents in the UK in April 1983 and sold to three different end-users.

Rufino was thrilled that his three daughters, Lucinda, Mary Anne and Francesca, all chose to follow in his scientific footsteps. Lucinda and Mary Anne are Chemistry alumni of the University of Oxford. Mary Anne is a member of the Development Board of the Chemistry Department and matriculated in 1979, the first year that women were accepted into



Rufino Cordeiro carrying out an airport survey with colleagues in Malawi in the 1970s.



Rufino Cordeiro on his 90th birthday.

Worcester College.

LOVE FOR GOA

Mary Anne said her father was a stalwart supporter of Saligao and dutifully visited his family home there annually.

“He supported many local and international causes to promote fellow Goans. He was delighted to become president of the Saligao Association UK in 1977 and sponsor the Mae De Deus Feast in Saligao in May 1984. Everyone who knew him considered him to be a gentleman of great integrity, strong faith and deep convictions,” added Mary Anne.

Rufino passed away at the age of 96 at his family home in Bray, Berkshire on January 5, 2021.

RESEARCH STUDENTSHIPS

Mary Anne founded the Joseph Rufino Cordeiro Foundation to honour the memory and legacy of her late father, a brilliant scientist/inventor who was proud of his Goan heritage manifested through his



Rufino Cordeiro and a colleague on location with East African Civil Aviation in the 1950s.

philanthropic acts.

“We intend to offer up to three Joseph Rufino Cordeiro Foundation Studentships in 2023. The studentships will provide successful candidates with up to £4,200 for a defined period of up to 8 weeks in July and August. Up to 3 successful candidates will also be offered paid-for accommodation in Worcester College, Oxford, for up to 8 weeks,” explained Mary Anne.

“The Foundation sponsors projects that nurture young talent in innovative scientific research and also encourages Goan/Indian students in those fields.”

“The grants will offer the successful applicants an opportunity to experience postgraduate research at the University of Oxford, enable them to advance excit-

ing research and inspire them to pursue postgraduate study and a career in Sustainable Chemistry.”

“The grants will also improve their research and transferable skills, and give them access to advice on further study and research careers,” Mary Anne added.

The eligible applicants must be enrolled in an undergraduate degree in chemistry, demonstrate academic excellence and potential, be able to provide proof of right to work in the UK and must submit their application with an academic reference by email to jane.rice@chem.ox.ac.uk latest by 12 noon (GMT) on May 26, 2023. The website <https://tinyurl.com/y4wz96fn> provides further information on how to apply for research studentships.

Goan boy wins silver medal at swimming contest in Dubai

Troy Dias is a medallist in marathon races and karate, also enjoys playing cricket, football and chess



THE GOAN NETWORK | DUBAI

Winning a silver medal at a major swimming competition in Dubai is a significant achievement for any 7-year-old, Troy Jose Dias is already a multiple medallist at three different sporting events.

Troy won the silver medal at the Emirates Swimming Competition 2023 organised by Apex Swimming Academy at Shaikh Hamdan Sports Complex, Dubai on May 13. He won in the eight-years category for backstroke.

Incidentally, Troy won the bronze medal in the Super Cup International Karate championship in UAE 2023 in the junior category. He actively takes part in marathon races and has won gold and bronze medals in the same. He also enjoys playing cricket, football and chess.

Troy, who hails from Margao and is based in Dubai along with his parents and twin sister Rachel, is a Year 3 student of Dubai Scholars Private School. Rachel is also active in sports and is a budding lawn tennis player.

“This is the first time Troy represented his school in a swimming competition. It is also his first medal at the Hamdan Sports Complex,” said his father, Terrence Dias, a former cricket player in Goa and presently employed with Emirates Airlines.

“Troy is delighted about his win, but his journey has not been easy. Troy was born prematurely with severe respiratory distress syndrome. His great sense of empathy and strong natural ability to fight against odds has encouraged him to help others both in Dubai and Goa.”

“He ran marathons for raising funds for amputee kids in Turkey and also to promote reading among kids. He is the little visionary of his mother’s NGO ‘Vision Education Society’ in Goa and helps with community welfare projects for kids.”

Terrence’s wife, Remy, a school leader in Dubai, described Troy as an intelligent and creative boy, who is fond of Lego, reading, robots, science and sports.

“Troy is very fascinated by the world in outer space. He enjoys constructing spaceships with his construction toys and watching stars with his telescope. He idolises Elon Musk and it is his dream to meet him,” she said.

“He is very energetic and plays varied sports like swimming, karate, athletics, cricket and all ball games. Troy won the bronze medal in the Super Cup International Karate championship in UAE 2023 in the junior category.”

“Troy actively takes part in marathon races and has won gold and bronze medals in the same. He wants to be a cricketer when he grows big and his aim is to be the captain of the Indian cricket team,” added Remy.

As parents, Terrence and Remy knew early on that Troy was different.

“He had advanced developmental milestones. He said “mama” at 4-and-half months and started walking at 7-and-half months,” said Terrence.

“As a toddler, we could see the uniqueness in him in his creative constructions, speech and drawings. He was growing and learning at his own pace, in his own special way.”

“As parents, we look forward to seeing him grow and make Goa proud, India proud and become a true global citizen.”

GOAN CHAMPION GUARDIAN OF TREES – 1

Moving from UK to Kenya, taking first steps in agriculture



CYPRIAN FERNANDES
The writer is a Kenyan-born journalist, who worked for the Nation Media Group in the 1960s and left as a chief reporter. He now lives in Australia.

FAMED GRANDFATHER

Dr Olaf Ribeiro is the grandson of the pioneer Kenyan-Goan doctor Rosendo Ribeiro, who was conferred an OBE by Britain in 1932 and the award of Commander of The Order of Benemerencia from the Portuguese government in 1947.

Dr Rosendo, who was born in Porvorim in 1870 and moved to Mombasa-Kenya to work as a doctor in 1899, discovered a cure for malaria which he sold to the British in exchange for land. The British went on to profit handsomely from this transaction. He also discovered the Bubonic plague and developed a cure for it. He was also responsible for being a founding member of the Dr Ribeiro Goan School in Nairobi, many of whose alumni went on to become outstanding members of the community. Dr Rosendo died in 1951, aged 80. His remains are interred at the City Park cemetery in Parklands, Nairobi.

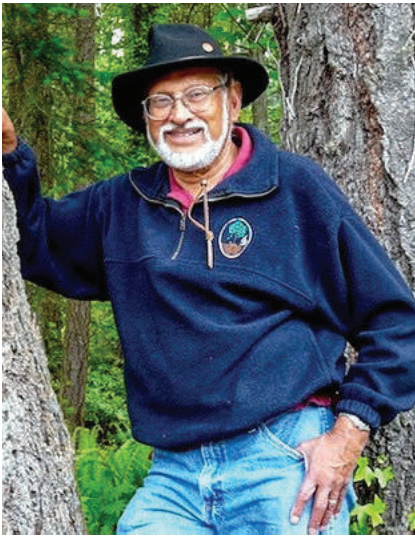
Dr Rosendo was famous for riding a zebra on his visits to patients. He later sold



the animal to the Bombay Zoo.

RETURN TO KENYA

Recalls Dr Olaf Ribeiro, “I flew home to Kenya, interviewed with the Ministry of Agriculture and in short order was giv-



(LEFT) Dr Rosendo Ribeiro (RIGHT) Dr Olaf Ribeiro, grandson of the pioneer Kenyan-Goan doctor Rosendo Ribeiro.

en a full scholarship on my way to Eger-ton College, Njoro located 120 miles from Nairobi in what was known as the White Highlands of Kenya. It was to be a two-year diploma course. I arrived to find an interesting mix of students.”

“All of us had previously been working in different jobs including Customs Officers, Desk Clerks and Accountants. Very few of us had any idea of agriculture! This was to be a grand experiment in getting Kenya ready for independence. The college was a previously all-white college set up to train the sons of white farmers to farm. The instructors came from Britain, the US (on a foreign aid programme), an Australian and a Dane.”

“Students were British sons of local farmers, Indians (Muslims, Hindus, Sikhs, and Goans), natives from various tribes (some traditionally hostile to each other!) and even an Italian student, Luigi, whose parents were farming in Somalia.”

“We all shared the same dormitories. Amazingly, there were very few skirmishes although there were occasional skirmishes with the white British kids who greatly resented us “coloureds” in what was formerly a white domain. In fact, the manager of the estate Major Thornton, could not handle the fact that the place now had “coloured” students on the premises. He settled the issue by committing suicide with a shotgun to his head.”

PRACTICAL EDUCATION

Dr Olaf Ribeiro said the farm consisted

of both animal husbandry and agronomy units.

“It was the most complete education that anyone could ask for in agriculture and animal farming, including wheat, barley, potatoes, and pyrethrum as well as milking goats, castrating piglets, shearing sheep, treating sick animals and learning to drive tractors and combine harvesters.”

“We also learnt how to slaughter animals for our meals and to use the remains to study anatomy. I had my fair share of mishaps from shearing off the teats of a sheep to killing another by pressing too hard on the animal’s neck as I held it between my legs to shear it!”

In time, Dr Olaf got to manage the agronomy farm when the farm manager left for overseas leave to Britain.

“These were the early days of Uhuru and much of the colonial influence was still alive and well. It was a pretty swell life, the students had a bar (which they welcomed with Kenyan joy), played hockey and soccer and competed with teams from as far as Nairobi, Mombasa and Kampala.

Life was bliss, especially when the pitch-black Kenyan night delivered a super-scope canvas full of stars, sometimes a comet or two and regular shooting stars. It was a kind of heaven,” said Dr Olaf.

Goan personalities honoured at community function in Qatar



[LEFT] Olesya Dias, a woman motorsports rider from Goa and [RIGHT] Vancouver-based Celebrity Chef Ashney Rebello were among those felicitated at the May Ball Queen organised by the Goan Welfare Association.

ARMSTRONG VAZ
THE GOAN NETWORK I DOHA

A music promoter, a celebrity chef, a child artist and a woman motor sports rider all having links to Goa were among the five different personalities who were felicitated for their contributions to society in various parts of the globe at a community function in Qatar.

Olesya Dias, the woman motor sports rider from Goa along with Indian government official Robert Cabral, Canada-based Ashney Rebello and Qatar-based Dr Mohan Thomas along with Chloe Bouvard were the select few who were presented with the special awards at the May Ball Queen organised by Goan Welfare Association.

All five were honoured at the hands of Goan legislator Advocate Carlos Alvares Ferreira and Bollywood star Arjun Bijlani.

Olesya Dias, the woman rider from Goa has been into sports for the last four years and participated in many motorsports events in India riding the motorbike for Hero company. She came to Qatar specially to collect the award accompanied by her Kuwait-based father Salvador Dias.

Former sportsman Robert Cabral, who is now a government official, was honoured for promoting music and Goan theatre in Goa through his organisation 'Kor Kantar Taleigao', in his home village.

Dr Thomas, former President of Indian Sports Centre, has been in Qatar for many decades and links to various Indian social, cultural and sports associations.

Vancouver-based Ashney Rebello also flew to Qatar to be part of the felicitation function. Hailing from Sarzora, Ashney is a qualified fashion designer, a celebrity chef, an author who is due to release her cookbook on Goan recipes, a certified chocolatier, an entrepreneur dealing with corporate gifts, a writer, a philanthropist and is also in the process of doing a movie and some shows on Netflix.

When contacted, Ashney Rebello said: "It's an honour to be appreciated for my contribution to Goan food and heritage across the world, in the presence of Goan legislator Advocate Carlos Alvares Ferreira and Bollywood stars Arjun Bijlani and Smita Bansal. Thank you, Goan Welfare Association and Simon D'Silva, for the honour. So proud to be a Goan!"

The youngest among those who were honoured is the multi-talented Chloe, a singer

and an aspiring theatre artist. The 12-year-old Doha-based girl became an online sensation last year ahead of the FIFA World Cup for her rendition of the cover song on the football extravaganza held for the first time in the Middle East from November to December.

At the beauty pageant at the same function, Qatar-based Krystle Fernandes, a former flight attendant turned Business Development Executive hailing from Calangute won the contest warding off a stiff challenge from her Filipino and African competitors at the event.

Kenyan Janet finished as 1st runner-up, while Hazel of the Philippines took the 2nd runners-up spot. Both were trained at Top Agency, under Fashion Director Felarca Victor. Updesh Swar and Anunysa D'Cunha compered the function.

First-ever Konkani solo singing contest organised in Swindon



[From L to R] Fr Lucas Rodrigues, Elsie Falcao, Gabline D'Costa, Divino Almeida, Nasha Jazalyn Cortez, Delisha Vaz, Shanika Carvalho, Saloni Fernandes, Genaia Fernandes, Leanne Nikisha Fernandes and Fr Mark Furtado at the 'Modhur Tallo', the first-ever Konkani solo singing contest in Swindon on May 14.

LUI GODINHO
THE GOAN NETWORK I LONDON

'Modhur Tallo', the first-ever Konkani solo singing contest in the United Kingdom, was organised by the Goan Chaplaincy, Swindon in the Deanery Hall on May 14, to kindle a community spirit and generate love, especially among the younger generation for Goan culture and heritage through the medium of Konkani language.

In all, 18 participants vied for the top places in the three categories: senior, teenager and junior.

The finals began with a short prayer by Fr Lucas Rodrigues, the parish priest of St Peter's Church and Goan Chaplain, followed by Tommy Alfonso, a famous Tiatr personality and comper of the evening, belting out a specially-composed opening song that encapsulated all the ingredients and the work that went into the making of 'Modhur Tallo'.

In the senior category, Divino Almeida won first place, while the second and third prizes were awarded to Gabline D'Costa and Elsie Falcao respectively.

In the teenager category, Shanika Carvalho won first place, with the second and third prizes awarded to Delisha Vaz and Nasha Jazalyn Cortez, respectively.

In the junior group, Saloni Fernandes won the first prize, while Leanne Nikisha Fernandes and Genaia Fernandes were awarded the second and third prizes, respectively.

Besides the prizes, all who made it to the finals after a grueling audition test to screen the finalists were presented participation medals and certificates by Fr Mark Furtado.

The capacity crowd was treated to a high standard of lively singing with the repertoire traversing different genres of music and covering wide-ranging topics, which was interspersed with high-octane comedy skits by the comedy duo of Comedian Agostinho Temudo and Janet. Each singer was introduced through a previously recorded video clip, before coming onto the stage.

Another famous singer, Inacio Palmeira, opened the second half of the evening with his own composition of 'Modhur Tallo'.

Famous musicians accompanied the singers on stage and they included Frampton D'Sa (keyboards), Assumption Nunes (drums), Aidan Temudo (trumpet), Joel Fernandes (Bass) and Ralph Alvares (guitar).

Sound for the event was provided by Vane Machado and Abel Nunes, while the stage décor was done by Nashwyn Arts. John Soares designed the posters and all printing materials for the event.

Later, while addressing the gathering, Fr Lucas said the aim of organising such competitions was to kindle a community spirit and generate love, especially among the younger generation for Goan culture and heritage through the medium of the Konkani language.

"Our rich cultural inheritance can only be transmitted if we cherish it and strive to transmit it in various ways to the new generation by keeping it alive through cultural activities," said Fr Lucas.

He narrated how the idea of the singing competition germinated over dinner among the priests and acknowledged and thanked his Assistant Parish Priest Fr Mark Furtado for the meticulous work in organising the function.

Various Goan Chaplaincy teams worked to present an evening of entertainment to the packed hall.

GOA UK marks first anniversary of North London Senior Citizens



The senior citizens on the dance floor at the first anniversary of the North London Senior Citizens (NLSC).



[From L to R] Sipsra Da Costa, Bella Fernandes, Bernadette Dias, Xavier Alphonso, Richard Fernandes and Rosy Da Silva.

were well fed with food catered by JoJo's Kitchen. All through the function, the guest shared stories of the past," Fernandes added.

The function was sponsored by the GOA UK Ltd and hosted by Richard Fernandes and Bella Fernandes, both directors of the Association, who thanked the crowd for their attendance and stressed that the GOA UK would always be prepared to support functions of this nature, provided there was sufficient interest.

An anniversary cake laid out was cut by Alex Costa Fernandes and Cecil Pereira, both past Presidents of the GOA UK along with a few life members.

In his closing speech, Richard Fernandes made a special mention of the organising committee members, Rosy Da Silva, Bernadette Dias, Sipsra Da Costa, Ilona Fernandes and Xavier Alfonso. He thanked them for all the hard work they put in to make the function a success.

THE GOAN NETWORK I LONDON

The Goan Association (UK) celebrated the first anniversary of the North London Senior Citizens (NLSC) at the Wood Green, North London, on May 12.

The event has been gaining popularity since its inception and tickets were sold out

well in advance.

"The main purpose of staging this event is to cater to our senior citizens who may be lonely, single and looking for some social interaction with fellow Goans. As the saying goes, "There is still a lot of life after 65," said GOA UK Finance Director Richard Fernandes.

"There were a number of new faces join-

ing in and it was very satisfying to see all the senior citizens coming together for this event to reminisce about the good old days."

"The attendees all had a lovely time. They were singing and dancing to the sounds of Nite Life with DJ Xavier keeping them entertained with music from the 60s and 70s. In between, the attendees

made a special mention of the organising committee members, Rosy Da Silva, Bernadette Dias, Sipsra Da Costa, Ilona Fernandes and Xavier Alfonso. He thanked them for all the hard work they put in to make the function a success.

Helping African Goans resettle in UK influenced my political career: Rabi

Nine-time councillor Rabi Martins had rare opportunity to serve as mayor twice

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Getting elected as a councillor has now become a regular feature for former mayor of Goan origin and sitting councillor Rabi Martins from the Liberal Democrat Party, after he was elected nine times to the Watford Council in Hertfordshire-UK.

Rabi, who will be sworn in on May 23, also has the rare distinction of having served as mayor on two separate occasions.

Having lived in Goa, Pune, Tanzania, Dublin and Watford, Rabi has imbibed different values which has shaped and influenced his politics and social work.

BACKGROUND

Hailing from Varca, Rabi is the son of Dr Minguelinho Martins and Lilia Viegas. His primary education was in Varca and Pune, while he completed his secondary education in Dar es Salaam and Dodoma (Tanzania).

He went on to pursue his graduation in BSc at Dublin and also completed his MBA.

Besides politics, Rabi has had interests

in various fields. In sports, he captained the school and college hockey teams, while he has also pursued photography, writing, travel, human rights and racial justice.

"I have also had an interest in community work. My first experience was when my school gave shelter to refugees from the Belgian Congo and I was part of the support team," recalled Rabi.

POLITICAL JOURNEY

Rabi said his interest in politics was stirred by Julius Nyerere who led the independence movement in what is now Tanzania. His other political influencers were John F Kennedy and Nelson Mandela.

"My interest in racial justice came to the fore when I first came to the UK in 1965 to be confronted by notices for accommodation in shop windows saying 'No Blacks - No Irish - No Dogs' and advertisements for jobs carrying the message 'Blacks Need Not Apply'."

"I joined various groups to campaign for racial justice and our work led to the introduction of the Race Relations Act 1976. We also set up the Goan Association Standing Committee on Race and Immigration, which I had the privilege



Sitting councillor Rabi Martins.

to chair."

"At this time, I was invited to serve on the executive committee of the UK Immigrants Service."

Following the eviction of Asians from Uganda by Idi Amin, Rabi was invited to join the Uganda Asians Resettlement Board.

"The evacuees included a large number of Goans and I was pleased to be able to assist some of them make a new home in the UK," said Rabi.

It was this sort of activity that brought Rabi into contact with the political system.



Rabi Martins with celebrated former England footballer and Watford player Luther Blissett OBE.

"In 1992, I was invited to stand for election as a councillor. I did but lost the election. I stood a second time in 1993 and came close. I won the seat on my third attempt in 1994, but lost the seat in 1998. I regained the seat in 1999 and have held it ever since," said Rabi.

In that period, Rabi had the rare privilege of serving as Chairman of the Council (Civic Mayor) on two separate occasions, in 2006-7 and 2017-18.

"I am currently vice-chair of the Planning Committee and the Council Mental Health Champion. I also stood as a Par-



Rabi Martins along with Deputy Leader of Liberal Democrats Party Daisy Cooper MP.

liamentary Candidate in four general elections, but failed to get elected."

"Beyond Council work, I played an active part within the national Liberal Democrat Party and held various roles including Advisor to the Party Chief Executive, Member of Federal International Relations Committee, Federal Policy Committee and Regional Diversity Officer," added Rabi.

SOCIAL WORK

Outside of politics, Rabi is currently Vice President of Watford Rotary Club, having previously served as President

and District Assistant Governor. He is currently preparing for the Rotary Club Centenary Celebrations in February 2024.

"In 2020, I visited Amritsar with fellow UK Rotarians to support the India Polio Immunisation programme. I am also very involved with the scouts movement and serve as current District Vice President of Watford North Scouts District," said Rabi.

"At the moment, I partner with celebrated former England footballer and Watford player Luther Blissett OBE to support Ukrainian refugees in Watford."

"I am a very 'wherever I lay my Head is my Home' kind of person. I guess that comes from the fact that I have led a very nomadic kind of life: born in Goa, educated in India and Africa. So even though I faced racial discrimination in many quarters, it did not defeat me."

Rabi said his approach to tackling any challenge has always been the same, to tackle it head-on.

"Some battles will be harder than others and I go into these battles knowing I will win some and I will lose some. So, I accept whatever the outcome is and move on."

"Experience has taught me that the most important thing in one's personal life is to have a goal and then to strive to achieve it. Only when you reach it, set a new and more challenging goal. Achieve that one and move ahead with an even more challenging goal," summed up Rabi.

Vastu Tips:

Important directions for business as per vastu shastra

JYOTIS

Vastu Shastra plays a very important role in tuning your business to bring gains & profits. Vastu balancing of your business space or Vastu for office is the key to achieving financial abundance in business. There are some directions which are primarily important for business growth.

North- East Direction –

This is one of the most important directions in any space. It governs the decision making & thought process of the occupants. Since business decision making is one of the prime factors for any business to be successful, this direction has the power to make or break a business. If this direction is balanced as per Vastu, the business owner risks wise & calculative decisions which leads to business success.

West Direction –

West is the direction which is responsible for serving gains & profits in the business. It is a recommended direction for a business owner to have their office, which enables them to maximize the business profits. Any financial records, locker or cash etc. can also be placed here. If this direction has a toilet, pantry or anything against Vastu guidelines, it can cause the business to suffer.

North Direction –

North is the direction which brings inflow of monetary opportunities, new clients & incoming business. This direction is supposed to govern the sales front for the business. It must be utilized for placement of selling products, catalogues etc. or by the marketing personnel. Any imbalance in Vastu in the North direction directly affects the sales & inflow of customers.

South-East Direction–

This direction governs the cash in hand or cash flow in any business. This direction also ensures smooth operations & running of business activities. If this direction is balanced, the business owner can experience smooth cash flow and recover payments much easily. Vastu defects in the South East direction can affect the cash flow and cause blocked payments for the business owner.

Direction for Accountant or Accounts Office

Accounts section for any business must be planned in compliance with Vastu Shastra, as this is the base of financial growth. If the accounts or financial records are not planned in a Vastu compliant direction, it may lead to financial challenges in the business.

An accounts office or accountant must occupy South West or West directions in the office. South-West direction carries the attributes of skill & precision which is utmost required for the financial calculations. West direction is also conducive for accounts as it has the energies for gains & profits.

Best direction for Locker

The best direction for lockers in any office or business space is the West Direction. Having a locker in the West direction multiplies or amplifies the profitability in the business. This is the key for business growth. Even financial records, property documents, client records or any important business documents in the West direction are bound to benefit us by all means in terms of business & financial abundance.



AMRUTHA NAIR

We all are aware of the health benefits that our most common kitchen ingredients garlic and lemon have. But did you know that these two magical ingredients can work wonders on your nails? Yes, you read that right! Garlic and lemon contain minerals and calcium that help in strengthening weak nails from breaking and making it stronger. Also, both these ingredients help in getting rid of yellow nails, thus making it clean and white. More than any part of our body, our hands are exposed constantly to certain elements that can damage our nails and make them weaker. Here, we have a simple home-made garlic-lemon hardener that helps to prevent your nails from breaking and keeping it stronger.

Benefits of garlic

Nails grow stronger and longer due to a mineral called selenium. Garlic is rich in this mineral and can help you in making your nails strong. Also, garlic contains sulfur compounds that help in providing strength and shine to damaged nails. Sulfur also helps in protecting the nails from any kind of infections and fungi.



Ingredients

2-3 cloves of garlic
2 tbsp lemon juice
1 vitamin E capsule
1 bottle clear nail polish

How to prepare?

- First, take 2-3 garlic cloves and crush them to make a paste.
- Now, cut a lemon and squeeze a few drops of fresh lemon juice into the crushed garlic.
- Cut the vitamin E capsule and take the oil from it. Add the oil into the crushed garlic and lemon juice.
- Mix all the ingredients well.
- Leave the mixture as it is for about 15-20 minutes.
- After 20 minutes, add the clear nail polish into the garlic-lemon mixture and stir well.
- You can store this in a container according to your convenience.

Benefits of lemon

We all know that lemon is a citrus fruit and is a great source of vitamin C. Vitamin C helps in strengthening weak nails. Also, lemon is a natural bleaching agent that can also help you in getting rid of yellow nails, thus helping in whitening the nails naturally. Nails become strong when there is adequate amount of collagen content. Lemon can do a good job of maintaining an adequate level of collagen content.



How to apply?

- First, if you have applied any nail polish, make sure that you remove it.
- Clean your nails with a neutral soap.
- Apply a layer of this garlic-lemon mixture on your nails with the help of a brush.
- Make sure that the nail is completely covered with this hardener.
- Leave this mixture on your nails for about 3 days and do not wash it off.
- After 3 days, remove the hardener and let your nails rest for a day or so.
- Re-apply this mixture on your nails and keep on repeating this regularly for strengthening your weak nails.



Some tips

- Most of us have the habit of simply biting the nails. But I am sure that you're not aware of the consequences of that. If you are one among them, then make sure that you stop this habit of yours immediately.
- Sometimes, even using too much nail polish and repeatedly changing the colours would lead to yellow and weak nails. Once in a while allow your nails to breathe and go colourless.
- In order for your nails to be strong, it's important that you keep the nails hydrated and moisturised. Apart from applying nail creams, intake of water should also be practiced. Make sure that you drink a minimum of 6-8 glasses of water every day.
- Sometimes, leaving your nails dirty can also lead to weak and yellow nails. Make sure that you keep the nails clean and neat.



How to eat healthy when you go to a restaurant

CHANDANA RAO

Do you love going to the restaurants and eating out often? Do you feel guilty every time you indulge in eating restaurant food? If yes, then there are some ways in which even eating at a restaurant can be made healthy. Lately, it has become quite common to see people eating out at restaurants often, as there are a number of eateries that can satisfy the varied taste needs of people. Restaurants offer various cuisines ranging from Indian to continental, so it can be quite hard for food lovers to resist eating at restaurants whenever they head out.

Many people who have no time to cook for themselves, due to busy schedules, end up eating out most of the time. And due to the unhygienic conditions in which the food is cooked and the quality of ingredients used, food available in restaurants can be very unhealthy. So, if you want to eat healthy at a restaurant and prevent diseases, follow these tips. Whenever you go to a restaurant in a group and you want to try a new dish that is unhealthy, order just one of it and share!

Avoid ordering dessert, although it is a common practice after a meal at a restaurant. Desserts can be extremely healthy and fattening. Avoid dishes that are extremely high in butter, ghee and salt content, as they can affect your body weight and blood

pressure negatively. Lastly, you must mentally prepare yourself before going to a restaurant, and will yourself to stick to healthy foods and smaller portions and stick to this rule!



PRAVEEN KUMAR

Easy Tips To Reduce Food Portions And Lose Weight If you have been doing everything you can to lose weight by following a healthy diet and exercise routine and yet you can't seem to lose weight, then there are some ways in which you can cut down your food! Weight loss is one of the hardest things to achieve out there, especially if you are someone who loves food and dislikes physical activities! Many people seek the help of professionals to help them lose weight who prescribe weight loss medications, which may not be very safe to use.

As we all know by now, being overweight or obese can lead to a lot of health problems, such as high cholesterol, joint pain, hypertension, certain cardiovascular diseases, etc. One of the best ways to lose weight at home is to follow natural diet tips that include healthy cooking in order to lose weight. So, in order to lose weight you must cut down the food portions, which is not always easy. So, follow these tips to cut down food portions, without feeling hungry and lose weight!

less and also eating healthy! And veggies are very low in calories. Add a protein-rich food like beans or chicken with every meal. Proteins fill you up faster and also aid weight loss.

Keep sipping on water, as you eat your meal, this way, you will feel fuller and avoid overeating.

Begin your meal with a low-fat vegetable soup, this way, you can eat limited quantities of food, thus cutting down on food portions. Another trick to cut down on food portions is to use smaller plates and spoons, this habit can also help you eat less. Add cayenne pepper to your meals. A compound in cayenne pepper known as capsaicin has the ability to curb appetite, thus helping you cut down on food portions. Adding a lot of fibre-rich foods can also curb your appetite and help you eat less to lose weight.

Fill up half your plate with vegetables, and the other half with your regular food, this way, you will be eating



Skin Cancer: Causes, types, diagnosis and treatment

Types of skin cancer

1 Basal cell carcinoma

Basal cell carcinoma is the most common form of skin cancer. This type of skin cancer develops in the basal cells located in the epidermis. Basal cell carcinoma mainly appears in the areas of the body which are particularly exposed to the sun such as the ears, neck, face, scalp, back and shoulders.

2 Squamous cell carcinoma

This type of skin cancer accounts for about 20 percent of all skin cancer cases. Squamous cell carcinoma affects the squamous cells located at the top part of the epidermis and if left untreated can spread to other parts of the body. It usually appears on sun-exposed areas such as the head, neck, lips, ears and hands and looks like red, scaly rough skin lesions.

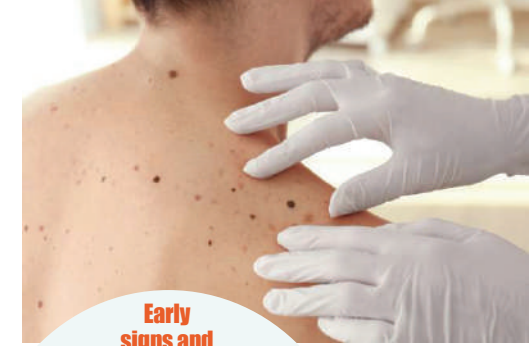
3 Actinic keratosis

They appear as dry, scaly patches which are precancerous growth and can progress to squamous cell carcinoma if left untreated. Actinic keratosis is caused due to the UV rays of the sun.

4 Melanoma

It is the deadliest form of skin cancer. It develops from the cells that give your skin its colour, known as melanocytes. Melanoma appears as a mole and can occur anywhere on the body. In men, it appears on the face and in women, it occurs on the lower legs.

Other less common types of skin cancer are Merkel cell carcinoma, Kaposi sarcoma and sebaceous gland carcinoma.



Early signs and symptoms of skin cancer

A new mole that changes in size, colour and shape.
A sore that isn't healing.
Scaly, itchy appearing lesions.
Abnormal pink or brown spot, patch or mole.
Two halves of the mole that aren't identical.
Skin lesions that have a border with uneven edges.

Stages of skin cancer

Stages of basal cell and squamous cell carcinoma:
Stage 0 - The abnormal cells have not spread in the epidermis.
Stage 1 - The cancer has spread in the dermis, but it's not larger than 2 cm.
Stage 2 - The mole or skin lesion is larger than 2 cm.
Stage 3 - The cancer has spread to the nearby tissue or bone, larger than 3 cm.
Stage 4 - The cancer is larger than 3 cm.

Stages of melanoma:

The cancer hasn't entered the epidermis yet.
Stage 1 - The cancer has spread to the dermis, but it is small in size.
Stage 2 - The cancer increases its size by becoming larger and thicker.
Stage 3 - The cancer has spread to the lymph nodes and other nearby skin tissues.
Stage 4 - The advanced stage of melanoma where the cancer starts spreading to the organs and tissues.

Risk factors of skin cancer

- A family history of skin cancer
- A weak immune system
- Sun exposure
- Fair skin, light hair and freckles
- Having more than 50 moles or having atypical moles
- A personal history of severe skin sunburns
- Frequent exposure to chemicals like vinyl chloride and tar
- Exposure to arsenic in drinking water
- Smoking
- Exposure to radiation during acne or eczema treatment
- Skin that doesn't tan easily
- Having blue or green eyes
- Skin Cancer

1 Frankincense Oil

According to a study published in Biomed Central in 2009 frankincense oil was known to induce apoptosis of tumour cells. The oil has anticarcinogenic activity that aids in treating skin cancer.

Take a few drops of frankincense oil on your fingers and apply on the skin lesions. Leave it on and let it dry. Do this 2 to 3 times daily.

2 Myrrh oil

The anticancer activities of myrrh oil influence apoptosis of cancerous cells according to a study

Diagnosing skin cancer

If you notice sudden moles or skin lesions on the back, legs and other parts of the body, consult a doctor. The doctor will first examine the shape, size, colour and texture of the mole and will ask when it first appeared, how much it has increased over time and whether it is painful or itchy.

Based on the appearance of the mole, the doctor will recommend a biopsy which can be done in many ways:

Shave biopsy is done if the basal cell or squamous cell carcinoma is suspected. It involves numbing the skin and shaving a piece of the lesion.

Incisional biopsy is done by making an incision in the skin lesion and removing an abnormal part for evaluation.

Excisional biopsy is done if melanoma is suspected. The doctor removes the entire abnormal skin part for evaluation.

If the skin cancer is in its advanced stage, the doctor will do a sentinel node biopsy, CT scans, PET scan depending on the location of skin cancer.

Home remedies to treat skin cancer

4 Eggplant

Solasodine glycoside is a natural compound found in eggplant which has been found effective in treating malignant and benign skin tumours.

Mince half an eggplant into smaller pieces. Add 2 tablespoons of vinegar to it and keep it in the fridge for 3 days. After three days, with the help of a cotton swab take the eggplant mixture and apply it on the skin lesion. Do this thrice daily.

5 Turmeric

Turmeric contains

Treatment for skin cancer

The treatment will depend on the type of cancer, size, location, stage and how much it has spread. Then the doctor will recommend one or more of these treatments which include:

- Excision surgery, which is done by cutting out the healthy skin surrounding the mole.
- Cryotherapy, which is done by freezing the growth using liquid nitrogen and the tissue is destroyed as it thaws.
- Mohs surgery involves removing excess tissues of the abnormal growth situated layer after layer till no abnormal cells are visible.
- Chemotherapy treatment is done to kill the cancer cells.
- Curettage and electrodesiccation in which is a long-shaped blade used to scrape away the cancer cells and the remaining cells are burnt with an electric needle.
- Radiation therapy is an alternative treatment to surgery where surgery is difficult in places like the eyelids, nose or ears.
- Photodynamic therapy is done to destroy the cancer cells using a laser light.
- Biological therapy is done to stimulate the immune system to fight skin cancer cells.
- Immunotherapy is another treatment where the cream is applied to the skin to trigger the immune system to kill cancer cells.

an active compound curcumin which is known for its powerful anti cancerous properties. The antiproliferative effects of curcumin are effective in fighting head and neck squamous cell carcinoma.

Take 1 tablespoon of turmeric powder and mix with a few drops of water to make a thick paste. Apply this paste on the affected skin and leave it for 30 minutes. Do this 3 to 4 times daily.

Note: These home remedies might work when the cancer is in the beginning stage.

QUEEN SLAYS OTT!

CJ DESK

Rani Mukerji's film *Mrs Chatterjee vs Norway* became the sleeper hit of the year and the actress became the third lead actor in 2023 to deliver a hit theatrically.

Recently, the film released on OTT and it has again become an instant hit. It trended at number one in movies in India and is also currently trending across 27 countries and is amongst the top 10 content pieces there. Canada, Trinidad and Tobago, Ireland, Luxembourg, Malta, United Kingdom, Kenya, Mauritius, Morocco, Nigeria, South Africa, Bahrain, Bangladesh, India, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Malaysia, Maldives, Oman, Pakistan, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, Sri Lanka, United Arab Emirates, Australia have embraced this universally themed film about a mother's fight to win back her children.

An elated Rani gushed, "I'm delighted to note that *Mrs Chatterjee vs Norway* is being loved by people across the world. The OTT release of the film ensured that *Mrs Chatterjee vs Norway* is sampled by a wider set of audience in various parts of the world. The fact that the film is trending at the top of the heap in 27 countries shows that the universal

theme of the movie has resonated with cinema lovers worldwide."

She added, "I have always known that films can cut across boundaries, geographies and languages and this outpouring of love for *Mrs Chatterjee vs Norway* is testimony to the fact that a good film will entertain people. A mother's love is the same across the globe – she nurtures and fights for her child in the same way in every corner of this world. I'm happy that motherhood is being celebrated globally through our gem of a film *Mrs Chatterjee vs Norway*."

Rani Mukerji talks about *Mrs Chatterjee vs Norway*'s response after its digital release



A still from *Mrs Chatterjee vs Norway*

PIC: INSTAGRAM/RANIMUKERJI.OFFICIAL

Magic of 70 mm in North East

Ajay Devgn's NY Cinemas to launch its first-ever cinema in Guwahati

CJ DESK

Ajay Devgn's NY Cinemas is all set to open its exclusive multiplex cinema in the heart of Guwahati city. This multiplex will be NY Cinema's entry in the North East region after successfully having delivered multiple screens in North and West of India.

NY Cinemas, a multiplex chain, imbibed in Indian ethos and values was founded by Ajay Devgn with the intention of bringing the old-world charm of single screens back to the multiplexes and bring the audiences closer to their favourite films and film stars.

The city of Guwahati will have a new movie watching destination courtesy NY Cinemas which is in the very heart of the city located at Roodraksh Mall. The theatre is designed keeping the Assamese culture and tradition in mind where everyone feels at home.

For the first time in Guwahati, people will experience a mocktail bar at a cinema theatre as well. A team of passionate chefs offer scrumptious delicacies with plenty of food options for movie goers.

Speaking about it, Ajay says, "It's a pleasure to have finally made it to the North East and I hope the people of Guwahati give NY Cinemas the same love that they always shower on me and my films."

Unique features like a 360-degree photo booth, a 12 ft video wall in the theatre lobby and multiple selfie points to capture every happy moment and go back with wholesome memories completes the entire movie watching experience at NY Cinemas.

NY Cinemas presently operates across 12 cities in India.



PIC: INSTAGRAM/AJAYDEVGN

Channelling her inner mermaid

CJ DESK

Jahnvi Kapoor, popular for her vivacious nature and spirited persona, has delighted fans with a remarkable surprise. She took to her social media platform to share a magical video that left her fans wanting for more.

She steps into the magical world of Princess Ariel as a fan and magically fits into it for her young fans as she recites... "*Machhli Jal Ki Rani Hai hai...*"

The actress is seen interacting with two kids before transforming into a mermaid herself. It is a promotional video for *The Little Mermaid*.

The movie directed by Rob Marshall, features Halle Bailey as Ariel, Melissa McCarthy as Ursula, Jonah Hauer-King as Prince Eric, Javier Bardem as King Triton, Daveed Diggs as Sebastian, Jacob Tremblay as Flounder, Awkwafina as Scuttle, Noma Dumezweni, and Jude Akuwudike.

The live action remake will release in India on May 26.



A still from *The Little Mermaid*

The K-Drama connection

CJ DESK

Angad Bedi's next project, *A Legal Affair*, is a legal drama which also stars Barkha Singh. The show is produced by Jio Studios and is the official Hindi adaptation of *Suspicious Partner* (2017), one of the most popular K-Dramas.

A Legal Affair has already been shot extensively in Delhi and Mumbai and will be releasing later this year. Korean dramas have found a huge audience in India and this being an official adaptation, is sure to make for a promising premise.

Angad said, "*A Legal Affair* is a legal drama based on a lawyer and his associate and the affair they have. It's an intense romantic drama, a genre I haven't dabbled in before. I did essay the role of a lawyer previously but that was a different space altogether which was based on a real life Murad case."

He added, "Also, this show is an official adaptation of the K-drama, *Suspicious Partner*, which is already such a successful show. It's kind of tricky since the Korean version was already a hit, so people have high expectations and it's up to the actors and makers what more they can bring to the show." *A Legal Affair* is directed by Karan Darra.

PIC: INSTAGRAM/ANGADBEDI

BFF GOALS

Shah Rukh Khan congratulates Juhi Chawla's daughter on graduation

PIC: TWITTER/IAM_JUHI



Jahnvi Mehta

CJ DESK

Shah Rukh Khan and Juhi Chawla, the iconic Bollywood duo known for their on-screen chemistry, have not only mesmerised audiences with their performances but have also forged an unbreakable bond in real life.

Weathering storms together and revelling in moments of joy, their friendship sets an unparalleled example.

Recently, Juhi proudly shared a glimpse of her daughter, Jahnvi Mehta, donning graduation robes, commemorating her milestone achievement.

Bursting with maternal pride, Juhi couldn't resist extolling her daughter's success. Surprisingly, a heartfelt reply came from none other than SRK.

The image shared by Juhi showcased Jahnvi, radiant with an ear-to-ear smile, clutching an inflatable mascot, emblematic of her triumph. Juhi added the hashtag "#ColumbiaClass2023." Jahnvi graduated from the prestigious Columbia University in New York.

Delighted by the news, SRK congratulated Juhi's daughter. "That's so amazing. Can't wait for her to return and celebrate. Love u Jaanz," he tweeted. Beyond the glitz and glamour of showbiz, SRK and Juhi's friendship extends to their joint ownership of the Kolkata Knight Riders.

PIC: INSTAGRAM/SRKUNIVERSE

PIC: INSTAGRAM/IAMJUHIHAWLA



The Special One to take on Europa League specialists

ROMA ON CUSP OF ANOTHER EUROPEAN TROPHY

SEVILLA FIGHT BACK TO BEAT JUVE & REACH FINAL

SCORES

> Bayer Leverkusen 0, Roma 0, Roma advanced 1-0 on aggregate

> Sevilla 2, Juventus 1, ET, Sevilla advanced 3-2 on aggregate

AGENCIES

SEVILLE

Roma reached the Europa League final by holding Bayer Leverkusen to a 0-0 draw in Germany on Thursday night. Jose Mourinho will have a chance to claim a sixth European trophy, although to achieve that his Roma team will have to stop Sevilla from winning a record-extending seventh Europa League title. Roma reached the Europa League final by holding Bayer Leverkusen to a 0-0 draw in Germany on Thursday following the kind of disciplined defensive performance that Mourinho's teams have become known for. The Italian club went through 1-0 on aggregate after winning the first leg of the semifinal at home. Roma will face six-time champion Sevilla, which

knocked out Juventus with a 2-1 win after extra time to prevent an all-Italian final. The final takes place on May 31 in the Hungarian capital of Budapest. Leverkusen forward Mousa Diaby hit the crossbar early and Roma goalkeeper Rui Patricio was busy at times but Roma's defence held firm, despite the team rarely venturing forward and managing

THE EUROPEAN GAUNTLET

Jose Mourinho has won all five of the European finals in which the teams he has coached have appeared, and he now has an opportunity to add to his 100% record after Roma reached the Europa League final

SEVILLA'S 7TH HEAVEN? The Spaniards will bid for a record-extending seventh Europa League title when they face AS Roma in the final in Budapest on May 31. Sevilla won the trophy six times between 2006-20

just one effort on goal in the entire game. Mourinho is bidding for back-to-back European titles with Roma after winning the inaugural edition of the Europa Conference League last season. He has won the Europa League — or UEFA Cup as it was previously known — with both Porto and Manchester United and also has two Champions League titles. Meanwhile, Sevilla trailed

Nat'l Ranking Pickleball tourney: Arjun, Aditya surge into quarters

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MARGAO

The much-anticipated 3rd National Ranking Pickleball Tournament kicked off in style at the Tennis Courts in Fatorda on Friday. Day one of the tournament witnessed the participation of numerous top players from across the country, including Pondicherry, Tamil Nadu, Maharashtra, Haryana, Uttar Pradesh, and the host state of Goa. Notable performances on day one included the exceptional display of skills by Arjun Singh and Aditya Singh,

standing performance, securing a place in the quarterfinals of the U-19 singles category. Stavva Bhasin from Maharashtra showcased his prowess by reaching the quarterfinals in both the U-14 and U-19 singles categories, while his brother, Stavhir, also excelled and secured a spot in the quarterfinals of the U-19 category. In the Men's Singles 35+ age group, Goa's own Amit Kakkar and Aditya Oberoi emerged victorious in their opening round matches, positioning themselves as favourites to progress to the knockout stage.

Archers Ojas, Jyothi confirm first medal

PTI

SHANGHAI

India's compound archery team once again brought cheers confirming its first medal from the World Cup Stage 2, as recurve archers continued to falter, here on Friday. WC STAGE 2

The new-look pair of Ojas Deotale and Jyothi Surekha Vennam remained on course for a second successive World Cup gold when they defeated their Italian rivals Elisa Roner and Elia Fregnan 157-157 (19*19) in a dramatic finish to make the final.

Utd Boys of Ambaulim hammer Bogmalo 6-1

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MARGAO

United Boys of Ambaulim secured a resounding 6-1 victory against UYC Bogmalo during the GFA Second Division League South District Playoffs at Benaulim Ground. GFA II DIVISION

Alex Fernandes set the tone for Ambaulim, breaking the deadlock in the 11th minute. Just two minutes later, Rayson Carvalho extended the lead to 2-0. Dailon Carvalho scored in the 18th minute and Bradley Carvalho scored a brace. Bogmalo fought back as Ivan Fernandes netted a goal

IN OTHER MATCHES...

Salcete FC defeated Benfica YC 9-0 in the GFA U13 division at Nagoa Ground on Friday

Ave Maria won by a solitary goal against Rising Stars Mormugao

Vagator Parish Youth SC beat Aivao YC 9-2 in the second division league at Salvador do Mundo Ground

in the 34th. Ambaulim swiftly responded, with Kevin Fernandes adding another goal to the tally in the 42nd minute.

IN SHORT >>

St Sebastian ousts PVC Parra

MARGAO: St Sebastian SC prevailed over PVC Parra 6-5 via tiebreaker and moved into the semis of the Nerul Cup at Nerul Ground. In the tiebreaker, Edvin Veigas, Jewel Fernandes, Nayan Vimodkar, Shivanand Naik and Alano D'Souza scored for St Sebastian while for PVC Parra, Floyd Pereira, Veron Pereira, Joston Cardozo and Pallav Maravi scored.

Curtorim march into semifinals

MARGAO: Curtorim Gymkhana marched into the semifinal after defeating Betalbatim SC 2-1 in the Betalbatim Villagers Cup at Betalbatim Ground on Friday. Curtorim Gymkhana netted a goal each through Joywin Carneiro and Nixon Castanha while Klusner Pereira scored for Betalbatim.

Village Panchayat Mandrem, Pernem, Goa

Ref. No: VP / MAN / PER / Tender Notice /2023-2024 / 551

TENDER NOTICE

Date:17/05/2023

The Sarpanch, Village Panchayat Mandrem, Taluka Pernem, Goa on behalf of the V.P. Mandrem, invites sealed percentage rate tender from the eligible and approved Contractor so as to reach in the office of the Panchayat on or before 02/06/2023 upto 12.00 p.m. for the execution of the below mentioned work.

Sr. No.	Name of the Work	Estimated Cost put to tender Rs.	E.M.D. Rs.	Time Limit for completion Excluding Monsoon	Class of Contract	Cost of Tender Form Rs.
1.	Providing and laying of pavers at various places in ward No. 6 at Madhlamaj from main road to house of Bharat Parsekar, Nitin Harmalkar, Sameer Parab and others in V.P. Mandrem, Pernem, Goa	413986.33	8280.00	90 Days	Class IV or above Bldgs / RBLD	2000.00
2.	Construction of Nullah along with RCC slabs over it from main road to Dilip Sawant house in ward No.1 of V.P. Mandrem, Pernem, Goa	423329.15	8467.00	90 Days	Class IV or above Bldgs / RBLD	2000.00
3.	Beautification near Brahman Devasthan at Askawada in ward No. III of V. P. Mandrem, Pernem, Goa	417455.57	8350.00	90 Days	Class IV or above Bldgs / RBLD	2000.00
4.	Construction of stage platform with roof in Swara Gandha Primary School at Dandoswada in ward No. XI of V.P. Mandrem, Pernem, Goa	371060.58	7422.00	90 Days	Class IV or above Bldgs	2000.00
5.	Beautification near Ram Mandir at Naikwada, Mandrem, Goa in ward No. III of V.P. Mandrem	392756.39	7856.00	90 Days	Class IV or above Bldgs / RBD	2000.00
6.	Construction of Gutter along with RCC slab near the house of Rajnikant Naik at Naikwada in ward No. 2 of V.P. Mandrem, Pernem, Goa	375631.63	7513.00	90 Days	Class IV or above Bldgs / RBD	2000.00

TERMS AND CONDITIONS: 1. last date of receiving application is 29/05/2023 upto 12.00 noon 2. The blank tender form will be issued on 30/05/2023 upto 12.00 noon 3. The date of receiving the tender form from the contractor only on 02/06/2023 upto 12.00 noon alongwith EMD and will be opened on 02/06/2023 at 12.30 p.m. onwards. 4. The details of the work can be obtained from the E.O. (R.E.) B.D.O. Pernem and Office of the Panchayat on any working day and office hours. 5. The contractor should deposit an amount of tender form in cash (Non Refundable) in advance along with his application for each work separate. 6. Incomplete application will be summarily rejected and no correspondence communication shall be entertained in this regard. 7. The Panchayat reserves the right to reject any or all tenders and accept any one without assigning any reason thereof.

Sd/- Adv. Amit A. Sawant (Sarpanch) V.P. Mandrem, Pernem

West Ham Utd to meet Fiorentina in Conference League final

AGENCIES

LONDON

Substitute Pablo Fornals scored deep into stoppage time for West Ham to beat AZ in Alkmaar 1-0 in the second leg of the Europa Conference League semifinals and send the Premier League club to a European final for the first time in 47 years. The aftermath was then

marred by crowd trouble when some Dutch supporters tried to storm into the area reserved for friends and family of the visiting players behind the dugout after the final whistle. The Hammers have been waiting for a European trophy since the 1965 title in the European Cup Winners' Cup and reached the final in the same competition again in 1976. Meanwhile, Fiorentina also needed extra time to advance, with substitute midfielder Antonin Barak netting the decisive goal in the 129th minute to secure a 3-1 win at Basel. Fiorentina trailed 2-1 from the first leg but reached its first European final since 1990. Fiorentina's win means Italy has a team in the final of all three UEFA competitions, with Inter facing Man City in the Champions League final.

		Village Panchayat Aldona P.O. Aldona, Bardez-Goa Contact No. (M) 9322462371 (O) 0832 2293242 Email-vpaldona-ga@gov.in Website - vpaldona.goa.gov.in						
Ref: VPA/Tender/NIT/2023-24/368		Date: 16 /05/2023						
NOTICE INVITING TENDER								
The Sarpanch of Aldona invites on behalf of V.P. Aldona, Percentage rate/ Item rate tenders from eligible P.W.D Contractors in appropriate class and category for the following works.								
Sr. No.	Name of work	Tender Amount	EMD in Rs.	Cost of Tender Form in Rs.	Class of Contractor Registration		Time Limit	Category of Contractor
					Old	New		
1	Asphalting of existing lane from Alban Couto to Joaquim D'lima house to Rosaline Fernandes house in ward no. 1, Carona, Aldona, Bardez-Goa.	3,04,361.46	6,087/-	2,000/-	IV & Above	V & Above	90 days (Excl, Monsoons)	RBLD
2.	Asphalting of road (internal) lane from John Fernandes house up to Mr. Sajjan Sopte house in Khoirut, ward no. III, Naika waddo, Aldona of V.P. Aldona, Bardez-Goa	3,69,655.00	7,393/-	2,000/-	IV & Above	V& Above	90 days (Excl, Monsoons)	RBLD
3	Repairing and re-tarring of an existing lane from Mr., Ghaneshyam Palni's house to Mr. Carlton Figueiredo house in ward no. III, Naika waddo, Aldona of V.P. Aldona, Bardez-Goa	86,780.16	1,736/-	1,000/-	V & Above	V & Above	90 days (Excl, Monsoons)	RBLD
4.	Re-asphalting of road from Rupa Stationery shop to Deepak Recline house at Santerxette In ward no. 4, Aldona, Bardez-Goa	3,92,221.90	7,844/-	2,000/-	IV & Above	V& Above	90 Days (Excl, Monsoon)	RBLD
5.	Beautification of pavers & tiles from Angelica Mendes to Chari's house in ward no. 5, Santerxette, Aldona, Bardez-Goa	3,96,442.92	7,929/-	2,000/-	IV & Above	V& Above	90 Days (Excl, Monsoon)	BLDGS
6.	Putting paver tiles from Shamba Satelkar house to Mr. Helen Fernandes wad no. 6, situated at Grand Coima waddo, Aldona, Bardez-Goa	4,51,692.60	9,034/-	2,000/-	III & Above	V& Above	90 Days (Excl, Monsoon)	BLDGS
7.	Repair of gutter from Mr. Shripad Anvekar house up to property of Mr. Dhond with slabs in Word No. 6 at Ranoi, Aldona, Bardez, Goa	1,40,954.63	2,819/-	2,000/-	V & Above	V& Above	90 Days (Excl, Monsoon)	RBLD/ BLDGS
8.	Development of existing lane from main road to Baptist house in ward no. 7, Quitula, Aldona, Bardez-Goa	1,02,656.00	2,053/-	2,000/-	V & Above	V& Above	90 Days (Excl, Monsoon)	BLDGS
9.	Asphalting of road & Repairing of road from Narhari R. Poles house to Main road near Sadashiv Polle house about 100 mtrs. & from Fidalis Fernandes house to late Kamat house and 120 mtr length in ward no. 8, Podwal, Corjuem, Aldona, Bardez-Goa	4,82,883.63	9,658/-	2,000/-	III & Above	V& Above	90 Days (Excl, Monsoon)	RBLD
10.	Fix steel poles & surrounding steel rods on sleeper steps (Concrete Steps) in Ward No. 9 at Gadar, Cuxem Wado, Corjuem, Aldona, Bardez, Goa	4,02,818.70	8,056/-	2,000/-	IV & Above	V& Above	90 Days (Excl, Monsoon)	BLDGS
11.	Asphalting of road from Preimer Waddo cross to Asnoi Manas at Ward No. 10, Preimer Waddo, Curjuem, V. P. Aldona, Bardez, Goa	4,81,082.25	9,622/-	2,000/-	III & Above	V& Above	90 Days (Excl, Monsoon)	RBLD
12.	Re-surfacing and asphaltting of road from Fr. Diago house via Conceicao house Alfonso house no. 26/1 towards football ground in ward no. 11, situated at Calvim, Aldona, Bardez-Goa	4,03,132.44	8,063/-	2,000/-	IV & Above	V& Above	90 Days (Excl, Monsoon)	RBLD

Terms & Conditions:

1. Last date of receiving application is on 26/05/2023 up to 12.00 noon along with cost of tender form (non-refundable).

2. Date of issue of blank tender form is on 29/05/2023 up to 12.00 noon

3. Date OF receipt of sealed tendei is on 01/06/2023 up to 11.30 a.m. and will be opened on 01/06/2023 at 3.30 p.m.

4. Application for issue of tender form shall be accompanied with

a) Attested copy of valid Registration Certificate of the contractor in the concerned category of work.

b) Attested copy of PAN card. Attested Copy of valid GST Registration Certificate and acknowledgement of up to date return filed with ARN (Application Reference Number generated on GST common portal) as per GST law.

c) Declaration of the works in hand shall be submitted with detail. list indicating the present status, on Rs. 100/- Stamp Paper (However tender form will not be issued to the person who has works in hand more than four times the tendering limit).

d) Attested copy of valid Income Tax Clearance Certificate.

5. EMD shall be in the form of Demand Draft/Deposit Call Receipt (DCR)/Pay Order from Nationalized or Scheduled Bank drawn in favor of Village Panchayat Aldona sealed in separate envelop.

6. Contractor shall submit separate application for each work. Incomplete and third party application shall not be entertained by this Panchayat and no tender form shall be issued.

7. Unsealed and conditional tenders will be rejected outright.

8. The contractor shall quote the tender excluding GST as applicable shall be paid separately on total value of work executed.

9. For the tenders/items of tender in case of being quoted abnormally below i.e 20.00, below the estimated cost, than the contractor shall furnish on demand an additional performance security in the form of Bank Guarantee from National/ Scheduled Bank for that amount which is worked out as difference between quoted amount and reasonable amount reduced by 20.00%.

10.Right to accept or reject any or all the tenders without assigning any reasons is reserved with the Village Panchayat.

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INDIAN PREMIER LEAGUE

Jaiswal, Padikkal script RR's four-wicket win

VICTORY KEEPS SLIM PLAYOFF HOPES ALIVE, PBKS OUT

SCORE
PUNJAB KINGS 187 FOR 5 (Curran 49*, J Sharma 44, Saini 3/40) LOSE TO RAJASTHAN ROYALS 189 FOR 6 (Padikkal 51, Jaiswal 50, Rabada 2/40) BY 4 WICKETS

PTI

DHARAMSALA

Devdutt Padikkal and Yashasvi Jaiswal hit sublime fifties as Rajasthan Royals kept their slim play-off hopes alive with a four-wicket win over Punjab Kings in their final IPL league match here on Friday.

Sent into bat, PBKS were reeling at 50 for four but Sam Curran (49 not out) and Jitesh Sharma (44 off 28 balls) revived the innings while M Shahrukh Khan (41 not out off) provided the late surge to power the side to 187 for 5.

A target of 188 was never going to be easy and RR needed to complete the chase in 18.3 overs to momentarily get ahead of Royal Challengers Bangalore's net runrate but they couldn't.

But still RR got two points to stay afloat with Jaiswal (50 off 36) scripting the chase, adding 73 off 49 balls with Padikkal (51 off 30) and another 47 off 22 balls with Shimron Hetmyer (46) as RR romped



Rajasthan Royals batter Yashasvi Jaiswal plays a shot.

BUTTLER RECORDS MOST DUCKS IN A SEASON

Jos Buttler recorded his fifth duck of the season, the most ducks in a season by a batsman as Rajasthan got off to a poor start in a stiff run chase of 188 against Punjab Kings

Buttler, who was in top form last season failed to get off the mark as he was caught in the crease with Rabada trapping the Rajasthan opener for a duck

Buttler also recorded a hat-trick of ducks after walking back without troubling the scorers during Rajasthan's games against RCB, KKR and on Friday against Punjab

With the win, RR moved to fifth spot with 14 points, same as RCB (4th) and Mumbai Indi-

JAISWAL JOINS ELITE IPL LIST

21-year-old Yashasvi Jaiswal broke a 15-year-old IPL record as he became the uncapped batter with most runs in a season of the T20 tournament. Jaiswal got to the landmark when he went past 41 runs in Rajasthan Royals' 188-run chase against Punjab Kings

Yashasvi Jaiswal went past Shaun Marsh's tally of 616 runs, which was the most runs scored by an uncapped player in the IPL. Marsh, who had not played for Australia when the inaugural edition of the IPL was played, scored 616 runs in 2008

Jaiswal also joined Marsh, Virat Kohli, Rishabh Pant and Ruturaj Gaikwad in the list of batters who scored more than 600 runs in an IPL season before they turned 25

ans (6th), who both still have a match to play in the league stage. The loss meant, PBKS are officially out of the IPL.

Chasing 188, RR suffered an early setback with Kagiso Rabada getting Jos Buttler LBW for his third duck.

PREVIEW

CSK aim at qualification, DC look to end season on a high

PTI

NEW DELHI

A determined Chennai Super Kings unit wouldn't mind being masters of its own fate in its bid to steamroll the already ousted Delhi Capitals, who are looking to end a forgettable IPL campaign on a high in a final league game, here on Saturday.

At the moment, CSK are on second on the points table with 15 points from 13 games. But a loss against DC along with a string of unfavourable results could see the four-time champions miss out on the last leg of IPL action.

A win would, however, confirm a play-off spot but whether they finish in second place or third would depend on the Lucknow Super Giants' result

CSK EYE RECORD PLAYOFFS BERTH

If CSK beat Capitals, they will reach the playoffs for a record 12th time in the IPL. No team has gone past the group stage more times than them, with Mumbai Indians placed second at nine

CSK have had rapid starts in the powerplay throughout this season. They score 9.3 runs per over in that phase, which is the second-highest for a team in this IPL



against Kolkata Knight Riders later in the day.

Chennai Super Kings have a better net run rate of +0.381 than Lucknow Super Giants's +0.304, who are also on 15 points.

The slow nature of Feroz

Shah Kotla track will suit CSK's game-plan and Mahendra Singh Dhoni, in all likelihood playing his last competitive game in the National Capital will like to make full use of the conditions against an out-of-sorts team.

Listless KKR hoping against hope, LSG eyeing another playoff berth

PTI

KOLKATA

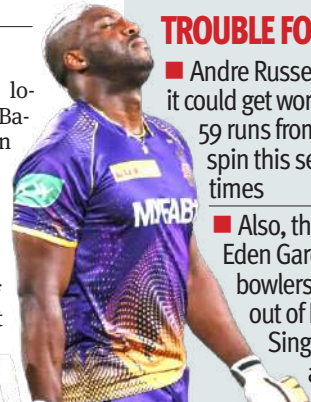
Set to be clad in local giants Mohun Bagan's iconic green and maroon jersey, Lucknow Super Giants would find themselves at home as they look to seal their playoff berth knocking out a hapless Kolkata Knight Riders on Saturday.

The real home team in this case, KKR, have not only complained of being let down by the conditions but their problems go deeper, having struggled to find a per-

TROUBLE FOR RUSSELL

Andre Russell hasn't had a good season so far, and it could get worse for him. Russell has managed only 59 runs from 52 balls - a strike rate of 113 - against spin this season, while being dismissed four times

Also, the spinners' economy rate of 8.45 at Eden Gardens is a lot better than the 9.81 pace bowlers have. Add to that the prospect of three out of Krunal, Bishnoi, Mishra and Swapnil Singh in the LSG side on Saturday evening, and Russell could be in trouble



fect winning combination in a topsy-turvy season, enduring seven defeats. Out of those seven, four losses were at the Eden Gardens.

PLAYING TODAY: Delhi Capitals vs Chennai Super Kings, 3:30 pm; Kolkata Knight Riders vs Lucknow Super Giants, 7:30 pm, Live on Star Sports Network

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