

INDIA AND VIETNAM TODAY SIGNED A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) TOWARDS PROMOTING SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION IN MARINE SCIENCE AND ECOLOGY

Chennai, December 18 2021: Vietnam Natural Resources & Environment Minister, Tran Hong Ha today called on Union Minister for Science & Technology, Dr. Jitendra Singh at Prithvi Bhawan here and discussed ocean and marine related collaboration during the delegation level talks between the two countries.



The two Ministers also signed the first-ever MoU (Memorandum of Understanding) aimed at promoting scientific and technical cooperation in marine science and ecology, and was signed by Dr. Jitendra Singh, Union Science & Technology Minister on behalf of Government of India and Mr. Tran Hong Ha, Minister of Natural Resources and Environment (MONRE) on behalf of Govt of Vietnam. The MoU is the first agreement related to marine science and ecology between the two countries.

The Vietnamese delegation led by Minister Tran Hong Ha included Deputy Director General of International Cooperation Departments, Government of Vietnamese Tuan Ngoc Le, Head of the Office of Science & Technology Vietnamese Embassy in India Li Truong Giang, Representative officer Science and Technology Vietnamese Embassy in India Andy Bui and other senior officials while the Indian delegation led by Science and Technology Minister Dr. Jitendra Singh included Secretary in the Ministry of Earth Sciences Dr. M Ravichandran, Joint Secretary Ministry of Earth Sciences Indira Murthy, Scientist Ministry of Earth

Science Dr Vijay Kumar, Scientist Gopal Aiyngar, Scientist Ministry of Earth Sciences Parvinder Mani, Scientist K R Mangalaa, Scientist P K Srivastava and others. The Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India was represented by Bharat Kuthathi and Neethu Rajan.

Dr Jitendra Singh said that exploration of Ocean Assets will herald a new era of International Cooperation in World Marine Economy. He said the bilateral agreement will lead to information and resource sharing related to shoreline change, sediment transport rate, coastal protection measures. The Minister said that identification of pilot location by Vietnam side and Indian experts will provide technical support in developing a coastal protection solution.

Dr. Jitendra Singh said that India has emerged as one of the frontline nations in marine scientific research under Prime Minister Narendra Modi and now actively engaged in exploring the resourceful ocean bed for meeting the country's future energy and metal demands. He said, the "Deep Ocean Mission" initiated by the Modi government heralds yet another horizon to various resources to enrich the "Blue Economy".

Dr Jitendra Singh said

habitats, ocean observation system, marine pollution and microplastics, marine weather forecast, and capacity building.

As part of the MoU, the two countries will facilitate the exchange of scientists, researchers, technical expertise, projects, and information in marine science and technology. They will assist each other in enhancing knowledge, fundamental research, and understanding for the larger benefit of ocean health and resources. A joint committee will also be established to suggest new areas of cooperation, prepare programs and proposals, provide financial assistance for planning and implementing the MoU mandates, decide on administrative and technical procedures, and monitor work progress.

Dr M Ravichandran, Secretary, MoES, added, "The Indo-Vietnam MoU becomes particularly important and relevant now when the United Nations has recognised this Decade for the Oceans. The Ministry of Earth Sciences is keen to collaborate in areas of mutual societal benefit such as observation, forecasts, research and development, and sustainable utilisation of resources".

This MoU shall remain valid for a period of five years and shall be automatically renewed for subsequent period of five years only once. Either country may give a written notice to the other country, at least six months in advance of its intention to terminate this MoU before the expiry of the MoU.

DELHI CUSTOMS SEIZE OUTBOUND UNDECLARED DIAMONDS VALUED AT RS. 1.56 CRORE

Chennai, December 18 2021: The Delhi Customs on 16th December 2021 seized a consignment of diamonds being sent out of India, having 1,082 carat weight. The officers of Air Cargo Export Commissionerate, Delhi on the basis of suspicion, examined a consignment declared as 'plastic hot fix' with a value of Rs. 5000/-.

On examination, a packet containing pouches of cut and polished diamonds was found concealed very ingeniously



in the packets of 'plastic hot fix'. The packet of diamonds also had the hot fix pasted on it to avoid detection. The detected diamonds are valued at Rs. 1.56 crore. The said consignment was destined for Hong Kong. This appears to be a unique case of sending diamonds out of the country through concealment in the parcels through air cargo. This is one of the largest seizures of polished diamond at Air Cargo Export, Delhi in recent times. Further, investigations are on.

PREVENT EROSION OF JOURNALISTIC VALUES AND STANDARDS: VICE PRESIDENT

Chennai, December 18 2021: The Vice President, Shri M Venkaiah Naidu today urged all the stakeholders involved in journalism to introspect and take steps to prevent erosion of journalistic values and standards.

He highlighted the importance of providing undiluted and authentic news at a time when fake news, half-truths and misinformation were becoming increasingly commonplace on social media platforms. The Vice President made the remarks while presenting 'Keralayam-V K Madhavan Kutty Puraskaram-2020' in different categories to four journalists at Uparashtrapati Nivas in Delhi.

Emphasizing on the importance of objectivity, he said that news must not be coloured or slanted with views. Presenting news through the prism of biased opinion casts a shadow on the dispassionate and neutral nature of journalism, he said.

"Unfortunately, there has been a decline in journalistic standards over the years and today it is difficult to get a truly objective picture by reading a single newspaper or viewing a single news channel", he bemoaned.

If robbed of authenticity, reliability and credibility, the media will be doing a disservice to democracy and to the cause of enlightening and empowering the public, the Vice President said.

Pointing out that there is a greater onus on journalists to be unbiased in a democracy, he said the media plays a critical role in maintaining the social fabric and political system of a country. "It should engage more proactively in advocacy, protection of rights of the downtrodden and powerless, and in uncovering illegal and corrupt practices. Ultimately, it should function without fear or favour", he added.

Observing that journalism becomes the third eye of the citizens, the Vice President said it should constructively criticize the actions of the government with evidence, facts, and insightful research. "Only when investigative journalism is free of bias and partisanship can the media live up to its reputation as Fourth Estate", he opined.

Shri Naidu said that in the past, news was considered sacrosanct and treated as news not tempered by opinion.

He said, sadly, commercial interests seem to be the main consideration for quite a few media houses today. "I am not saying that media organizations employing hundreds of employees should not be run on commercial lines. However, commercial interests alone should not become the overriding factor in the selection and presentation of news and articles", he stressed.

Observing that autonomy and neutrality are equally important, the Vice President said that a media house would eventually end up losing its loyal readers or viewers if it was not autonomous. "Hence, freedom is one of the essential prerequisites for practicing serious and meaningful journalism", he added.

Expressing his concern over decline of values in different walks of life, Shri Naidu said there was a greater responsibility on politicians and journalists to maintain standards and set examples to others.

Urging the media to shun sensationalism by only highlighting disturbance and disruption in Parliament, the Vice President, who is also the Chairman of the Rajya Sabha, said the media should give prominence to good performance of MPs, who attend the House regularly and participate in debates by providing constructive suggestions to the government.

Paying tributes to late Shri Madhavan Kutty, he said that he was a well-known and widely respected journalist whom he had known personally for several years. He said that was a legend in his lifetime and won several awards as a journalist and as a literary figure of eminence.

Congratulating the recipients of the award- Shri Prasanth Reghuvamsam Resident Editor Asianet News Television Channel at Delhi, Shri Kamal Varadoor, Chief Editor of Chandrika Malayalam News daily, Shri Anu Abraham, Senior Sub Editor Mathrubhumi Malayalam News daily and Shri Alex Raj Senior Reporter of 24 News, a Malayalam language Television Channel, the Vice President advised them to use the might of the "pen" to protect the interests of the people and for the development of the nation.

Union Minister of State for External Affairs, Shri V. Muraleedharan, Shri P V Abdul Wahab, Rajya Sabha member and Chairman, Keralayam, Shri G. Rajamohan, Working Chairman, Keralayam senior journalists and others were present.

Following is the full text of the speech –

"I am pleased to attend the 15th V.K. Madhavan Kutty Memorial Media Award function here today. Shri Madhavan Kutty was a well-known and widely respected journalist whom I had known personally for several years. He was the Editor of Mathrubhumi Malayalam language daily and was one of the founders of the first Malayalam language private television news channel, Asianet in Kerala.

A legend in his lifetime, Shri Madhavan Kutty won several awards as a journalist and as a literary figure of eminence. He was conferred the Kerala Sahitya Akademi award in 1991 and & Swadeshabhimani Puraskaram in 2002 by the Kerala government for his exemplary contribution as a journalist. He has also authored several books in Malayalam, short stories and memoirs.

I would like to congratulate Global Kerala Initiative – Keralayam, a philanthropic organization devoted to the rehabilitation of AIDS-affected and destitute children, for instituting the Media award in the name of its founder President V.K. Madhavan Kutty.

As we all are aware, at the basic level, journalism is collation and distribution of news in print and non-print forms. The essence of journalism lies in providing objective and truthful coverage of events to the people. In the past, news was considered sacrosanct and treated as news not tempered by opinion. Of course, editorials and articles in the opinion pages used to reflect the stance taken by newspapers on important issues. This is reflected in the work of legendary editors of yesteryears like Frank Moraes and Nikhil Chakravarty, among several others.

I have always held the view that news must not be coloured or slanted with views. Unfortunately, there has been a decline in journalistic standards over the years and today it is difficult to get a truly objective picture by reading a single newspaper or viewing a single news

channel.

Presenting news through the prism of biased opinion casts a shadow on the dispassionate and neutral nature of journalism. Media organisations would be doing a disservice to journalism by presenting tinted news to drive a particular agenda.

Sadly, journalism is driven by commercial interests alone for many today. I am not saying that media organizations employing hundreds of employees should not be run on commercial lines. However, commercial interests alone should not become the overriding factor in the selection and presentation of news and articles.

The principle of 'objectivity' is one of the foremost lessons in journalism. The term implies a 'rational' perspective on any given situation. It includes components like truth, facts, and impartiality.

Autonomy and neutrality are equally important. If a media house is not autonomous, it would eventually end up losing its loyal readers or viewers. Hence, freedom is one of the essential prerequisites for practicing serious and meaningful journalism. It needs to be emphasised that in a democracy, greater onus is placed on journalists to be unbiased. Journalism is as diverse as the circumstances that exist in a complex world of multiple challenges.

Therefore, the media plays a critical role in maintaining the social fabric and political system of a country. It should engage more proactively in advocacy, protection of rights of the downtrodden and powerless, and in uncovering illegal and corrupt practices. Ultimately, it should function without fear or favour.

Journalism becomes the third eye of the citizens; it is what enables them to exercise some amount of effective control over the actions of the government; this function is performed by informing the citizens. It is also performed by engaging in effective and rational discussions on decisions of the government. It should also construe award.

INDIA- VIETNAM SIGNS "LETTER OF INTENT" FOR ENHANCED COOPERATION IN THE POSTAL SECTOR

Chennai, December 18 2021: Minister of State for Communications, Shri Devusin Chauhann held a bilateral meeting with the delegation from Viet Nam today at Sanchar Bhawan. The Viet Nam delegation was led by HE Mr Nguyen Manh Hung, Minister of Information and Communications.



In line with the comprehensive strategic and economic partnership and growing relations between the Republic of India and Socialist Republic of Viet Nam, the Ministers of the two countries signed a "Letter of Intent" for enhanced cooperation in the Postal Sector. The Letter of Intent recognises the joint objectives of both the countries to facilitate cooperation in the field of

Posts and Telecom, promote sharing of information and experience, cooperate to implement projects in Human Resource Development and to promote enhanced cooperation of postal designated operators and service providers of both the countries.

Shri Devusin Chauhann stated that India has been witnessing exceptional growth in the

developing indigenous 5G network under "AtmaNirbhar Bharat". Vietnamese Minister of Information and Communications suggested that India should collaborate in the field of 5G to produce world class India has been developing indigenous designed 5G telecom equipment.

Shri Devusin Chauhann highlighted that signing of the Letter of Intent will provide new opportunities to both the countries in the field of Communications and Posts. Shri Vineet Pandey, Secretary (Posts) and Mr Trieu Minh Long, Director General of International Cooperation Department, MIC, Viet Nam were also present during the discussions.

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Crescent Innovation and Incubation Council signs MoU with BRIGADE REAP to promote startups in the Proptech sector

Chennai, December 18, 2021: Brigade REAP, Asia's first real estate accelerator programme, has entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Crescent Innovation and Incubation Council (CIIC), a renowned technology business incubator based out of B.S. Abdul Rahman Crescent Institute of Science and Technology (BSACIST) in Chennai to foster research and the development of startups in the field of Proptech. Through this MoU, Brigade REAP will be responsible for introducing the concept of Proptech to CIIC's students and faculty through webinars, hackathons and other activities. CIIC will provide Brigade REAP with access to startups, students, faculties and related stakeholders. The aim of the MoU is to identify at least three promising ideas in the Proptech space, which can be scaled into promising businesses.

The first Accelerator program in the Proptech sector was launched today at B.S. Abdul Rahman Crescent Institute of Science and Technology, Vandalur, Chennai in the presence of Mr. W.S Habib, the Director General of United Economic



Forum and Past President of CREDAI Chennai, Mr. John Kuruvilla, Chief Mentor Brigade REAP, Mr. Arif Buhary Rahman- Chancellor, BSACIST, Mr. Abdul Qadir Rahman Buhari, Pro-chancellor, BSACIST and Mr. M Parvez Alam, CEO & Director-CIIC.

Commenting on the development, Nirupa Shankar, Executive Director, Brigade Enterprises Ltd. said, "The Indian real estate sector is slated to reach USD 1 trillion by 2030 and is expected to contribute around 13 percent to India's GDP by 2025. Rapid urbanization driven by a fast growing, young demographic middle class and a gradually consolidating real estate scenario are some of the factors that are powering the growth and promising a vibrant future for Proptech in India. We feel that it is the right time to identify startups

at the grassroots level itself and provide them with the required mentorship and assistance for go-to-market and further scaling of their businesses. CIIC's focus on disruptive technologies has been one of the main reasons for us to partner with them."

Mr. Arif Buhary Rahman, the Chancellor and one of the Director's of CIIC highlighted that CIIC's new initiatives into south of Tamilnadu will propagate more technology-driven startups who will require the right facilities and mentorship. This partnership with Brigade REAP will provide the support required for startups which will strengthen the startup ecosystem in Tamil Nadu.

As part of the MoU, CIIC will identify and incubate startups and Brigade REAP will provide accelerator support to start-ups which have the product and the ability to scale up.

Mr. Abdul Qadir Abdul Rahman Buhari, Pro-Chancellor-BSACIST reiterated that the real estate industry is growing with increasing investments. This partnership between Brigade REAP and CIIC will ensure better opportunities for property technology sector through their customized acceleration and other training programs.

During the one-year term of this MoU, Brigade REAP and CIIC will collaborate and discuss further ways in which the combined objective of fostering the growth of the Proptech sector can be achieved.

Mr. M Parvez Alam CEO & Director indicated that today, funding for PropTech is at an all-time high according to CB Insights, and the real estate tech sector gains more traction each year. In 2019, funding for PropTech rose 65% from \$5.4 billion to \$8.9 billion. This shows a huge scope of potential for the emergence of proptech startups. He asserted that several programmes and events are planned ahead to fulfill this partnership, with an aim to bring out startups solving real world problems in the prop-tech sectors.

Sports legend Sachin Tendulkar invests in Spinny Joins as captain of Squad Spinny - which aspires to provide quality cars to every Indian household. Master Blaster believes the right values will help Spinny achieve excellence

Chennai, December 18, 2021: Spinny, the pioneering full stack online-to-offline user car retail platform, has partnered with Indian sporting legend Sachin Tendulkar. Sachin is a strategic investor in the company, as well as lead brand endorser. The association with Master Blaster marks another chapter in Spinny's commitment to young Indians in the realization of their dreams and aspirations by serving simple and delightful car buying and selling experiences.

Sachin Tendulkar is renowned for consistently performing at the highest level, while maintaining the highest levels of integrity. Aiming to inspire young Indians with a similar value system, Spinny has chosen to work with the universal role model who stands for performance, resilience, and continuous improvement.

Speaking about the



association, Sachin said - "Our country is becoming younger and our ambitions bigger. Entrepreneurs of today are creating solutions that cater to this ambition. I am very happy to be associated with Spinny - a team which aspires to create solutions the right way. The team has adopted timeless

values to achieve excellence in their business - trust, transparency, and integrity. I am now a part of this family, and together we hope to keep getting better every day in everything we do".

Welcoming Sachin Tendulkar onboard as the captain of #SquadSpinny and

as an investor, Niraj Singh (Founder & CEO) said, "His life and journey stand as a beacon for the values of tenacity and determination in the face of challenges. We strive to instill these abilities in everything we do and Spinny's outlook to solve real customer problems. Having him onboard with Spinny is absolutely heart-warming, and we are proud to welcome our newest captain of Squad Spinny, Sachin Ramesh Tendulkar."

Earlier this year, the brand announced its association with PV Sindhu, a believer and supporter of Spinny's value-system who has demonstrably walked the same path of method and resilience with resounding success. Through the coming year, alongside other celebrated Spinny customers, Squad Spinny's appointed captains will lead a series of marketing initiatives focused on realizing the aspirations of a billion car dreams.

Advance Tax collections for the F.Y. 2021-22 (Till 3rd Installment) stand at Rs. 4,59,917.10 crore as on 16.12.2021 which shows a growth of approximately 53.50%

Chennai, December 18, 2021: The figures of Direct Tax collections for the Financial Year 2021-22, as on 16.12.2021 show that net collections are at Rs. 9,45,276.6 crore compared to Rs. 5,87,702.9 crore over the corresponding period of the preceding financial year i.e. FY 2020-21, representing an increase of 60.8%. The net collection (as on 16.12.2021) in FY 2021-22 has registered a growth of 40% over the corresponding period of FY 2019-20 when the net collection was Rs. 6,75,409.5 crore, and a growth of 40.93% over the corresponding period of FY 2018-19 when the net collection was Rs. 6,70,739.1 crore.

The Net Direct Tax collection of Rs. 9,45,276.6 crore (as on 16.12.2021) include Corporation Tax (CIT) at Rs. 5,15,870.5 crore

(net of refund) and Personal Income Tax (PIT) including Security Transaction Tax (STT) at Rs. 4,29,406.1 crore (net of refund).

The gross collection of Direct Taxes (before adjusting for refunds) for the F.Y. 2021-22 (as on 16.12.2021) stands at Rs. 10,80,370.2 crore compared to Rs. 7,33,715.2 crore in the corresponding period of the preceding financial year. The gross collection for the F.Y. 2019-20 was Rs. 8,34,398 crore and that for F.Y. 2018-19 was Rs. 7,96,342 crore in the corresponding period.

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wise collection (as on 16.12.2021) comprises Advance Tax of Rs. 4,59,917.1 crore, Tax Deducted at Source of Rs. 4,93,171.7 crore, Self-Assessment Tax of Rs. 74,336.2 crore; Regular Assessment Tax of Rs. 44,028.7 crore; Dividend Distribution Tax of Rs. 6,525.9 crore and Tax under other minor heads of Rs. 2390.6 crore.

The cumulative Advance Tax collections for the first, second and third quarter of the F.Y. 2021-22 stand at Rs. 4,59,917.1 crore as on 16.12.21, against Advance Tax collections of Rs. 2,99,620.5 crore for the corresponding period of the immediately preceding Financial Year i.e. 2020-21, showing a growth of 53.5% (approx). Further, the cumulative Advance tax

collection of Rs. 4,59,917.1 crore as on 16.12.2021 (FY 2021-22) shows a growth of 44.21% over the corresponding period in FY 2019-20 when the advance tax collection (cumulative) was Rs. 3,18,929.4 crore and a growth of 49.76% over the corresponding period in FY 2018-19 when the advance tax collection (cumulative) was Rs. 3,07,096.3 crore.

The Advance tax figure of Rs. 4,59,917.1 crore as on 16.12.2021 comprises Corporation Tax (CIT) at Rs. 3,49,045.4 crore and Personal Income Tax (PIT) at Rs. 1,10,871.7 crore. This amount is expected to increase as further information is awaited from Banks.

Refunds amounting to Rs. 1,35,093.6 crore have also been issued in the F.Y. 2021-22 so far.

Raksha Mantri Shri Rajnath Singh launches Rashtriya Ekta Geet composed by NCC Cadets in 22 languages

Chennai, December 18, 2021: Raksha Mantri Shri Rajnath Singh launched 'Rashtriya Ekta Geet' composed by the National Cadet Corps (NCC) cadets in 22 languages on the theme of National Integration during the grand finale of 'Vijay Shrankhla aur Sanskritiyon ka Mahasangam' campaign in New Delhi on December 17, 2021.

The mega event was conducted by NCC as part of 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav', which is presently being celebrated to commemorate 75 years of India's Independence. It comprised of honouring and felicitating of bravehearts of 1971 Indo-Pak War at 75 locations across the country under the NCC Vijay Shrankhla including live streaming on the Gallantry Award Portal. The campaign culminated today with 'Sanskritiyon ka Mahasangam' wherein selected NCC cadets from across the country congregated in Delhi and showcased their shared cultural heritage.

Highlighting the glorious history of NCC, Shri Rajnath Singh said, "NCC has produced a number of



stalwarts who have brought glory and laurels to the Nation. Leaders like Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose, PM Narendra Modi, former External Affairs Minister Smt. Sushma Swaraj, former Raksha Mantri Manohar Parrikar, sports personalities like Hima Das, Anjali Bhagwat, world famous cardiologist Dr. Naresh Trehan and many others are NCC alumni who have contributed towards Nation building."

Talking about Prime Minister Narendra Modi's keen interest in the NCC, the Raksha Mantri said, "The Prime Minister recently launched NCC alumni association. I believe that such steps would enhance the training capacity of NCC many times and would unite

vacancies in the NCC. Initiatives like 'Digital India', 'Skill India', 'Start-up India', 'Fit India', etc may help you in progressing in your specialised areas. Government is taking many more such initiatives. I would like you to stay updated about such initiatives and utilise them for making your lives better and successful, also, to aware your surrounding about these."

The finale started with welcome speech by DG NCC followed by presentation of short video clip showcasing homage paid to the 1971 fallen heroes during the event and importance of Vijay Diwas.

The Raksha Mantri also congratulated DG NCC, his team and all the cadets from various part of the country who worked hard to make this iconic event a grand success. The finale was also attended by Raksha Rajya Mantri Shri Ajay Bhatt, Defence Secretary Dr. Ajay Kumar, Vice Chief of Army Staff, DG NCC Lt Gen Gurbirpal Singh, prominent NCC Alumni Association members and other senior civil and military dignitaries.

Highlighting the motto of NCC, 'Unity and Discipline', Shri Rajnath Singh said "The NCC develops the virtues of unity, discipline, patience and brotherhood in its cadets and these virtues remain forever with them. That's why it is said 'once an NCC cadet is always an NCC cadet'."

all alumni of this esteemed organisation." He further added "The Prime Minister is the first member of NCC alumni association and I am the second. I also see your bright future through hard work and dedication towards the nation."

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Mentioning Government's supportive approach for NCC, Raksha Mantri said, "Seeing your potential, government has announced One Lakh new

Prabhas goes snowboarding in the poster of Radhe Shyam's new song 'Raegaigal'

Chennai, December 18, 2021: Poster of Radhe Shyam's new song 'Raegaigal' featuring Prabhas out now! Besides Prabhas and Pooja Hegde's lovable chemistry in the highly-anticipated movie 'Radhe Shyam', the pan-India film is also being highly appreciated for its soulful and soothing compositions. After launching two romantic tracks from the movie, the makers have recently revealed the impressive poster of their 'Raegaigal'. The poster is a small glimpse of what can be expected in the song. The song has been shot in the picturesque locations of



Italy. Featuring megastar Prabhas, the new poster of India star in his element, as

he goes snowboarding sporting a red hoodie. As Prabhas seems to be on a fun ride, the poster suggests how interesting the song is going to be with all the exotic locales and hummable sound track. The teaser of 'Raegaigal' will be out tomorrow. In the long list of assets, this song is another glimpse for the fans wanting more from Prabhas and Pooja. The film will hit the screens on January 14, 2022. Radhe Shyam will be multi-lingual film and is helmed by Radha Krishna Kumar. It is produced by UV Creations. The film is produced by Vamsi and Pramod

ACIC -KALASALINGAM INNOVATION FOUNDATION CONDUCTED 3 DAYS IDEATHON'21

Chennai, December 18, 2021: The ACIC - Kalasalingam Innovation Foundation (ACIC-KIF), a section 8 company established under the auspices of Atal Innovation Mission (AIM), NITI Aayog, Govt. conducted an Ideathon'21 for three days

headed by Dr. Chinthan Vaishnav, Managing Director, Atal Innovation Mission, Mr. Mangalesh Yadav, Program Director, Atal Community Innovation Center, Ms. Ankita Singh and Ms. Kanika Agarwal. Interesting ideas were presented that grasped the attention of the visitors and attendees. The event was attended by more than 600



Focus of the Ideathon was "Emerging Technologies for Community and Industrial Innovations". The event received around 400 innovative ideas from IITs, NITs, Universities and other colleges. Among them 200 ideas were shortlisted and presented. Among them, 50 ideas were selected for the final phase presentation.

Three days event

Research and Education. During the event, ACIC-KIF also agreed to partner the Center for Development of Advanced Computing (C-DAC), Bangalore on a blended learning program with Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineering (IEEE) on Internet of Things technology that would be free for the Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe students and offered at concessional rate for the other student categories. The finalists were given cash awards and prototype support at ACIC-KIF. The event was organized by the ACIC-KIF team by Directors Dr. B. Subathra, Mrs. V. Nagalakshmi, and Dr. V. Vasudevan.

The event was inaugurated by Dr. K. Sridharan, Chancellor, Dr. S. Arivalagi, Pro-Chancellor, Dr. S. Shashi Anand and Mr. S. Arjun Kalasalingam, Vice-President, Dr. R. Nagaraj, Vice-Chancellor and Dr. V. Vasudevan, Registrar, Kalasalingam Academy of

Union Minister of Steel to Meet Industrialists of Steel Sector of Mandi Gobindgarh, Khanna and Ludhiana

Chennai, December 18, 2021: The National Institute of Secondary Steel Technology (NISST), Mandi Gobindgarh in Fatehgarh Sahib District of Punjab, established by Ministry of Steel, Government of India is organizing an Interactive meet of industrialists from steel industry with Union Minister of Steel, Sh Ram

Chandra Prasad Singh on 18th Dec, 2021 in Khanna, Punjab. The meet is supported by national and local Associations like All India Steel Reroller's Association (AISRA), All India Induction Furnace Association (AIIFA), and Mandi Gobindgarh Furnace Association (MFA).

The meeting of local industrialists from Mandi Gobindgarh, Khanna, Ludhiana and adjoining areas would pave the way for all round development of local steel industries engaged in manufacturing and rolling of steel. Sh Ram Chandra Prasad Singh, Union Minister of Steel would also visit

campus of National Institute of Secondary Steel Technology (NISST) and see the infrastructure facilities of NISST and interact with NISST officials. The Union Minister would be accompanied by Smt. Rasika Chaube, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Steel.

A Complicated case of STAGE III POST HYSTERECTOMY PELVIC ORGAN PROLAPSE was operated on a 87 year old lady at Vijaya Group of Hospitals, Chennai

Chennai, December 18, 2021: 87 old postmenopausal lady came to Vijaya Hospitals with complaints of mass descending Per Vaginal since 2yrs with history of gradual increase in size. She had difficulty in walking, hesitancy to void urine for past 2yrs, difficulty in voiding with frequency of micturition 7-8 times during day & 2 times in night with urgency & urinary incontinence at night and constipation since 3 yrs.

Her Medical and Surgical history showed Total Abdomen Hysterectomy 40yrs back, Bilateral Total knee Replacement, Diabetes Mellitus and hypertension since 3 yrs, Pulmonary embolism, Incisional hernia repair with mesh, Abdominoplasty, left femoral hernia repair, left varicose veins since 6yrs and pessary for Pelvic organ prolapse 4 years back

On Examination, she had Abdominoplasty scar present, Mild urethral mucosal prolapsed, No stress leak on coughing, Stage 3 cystocele, Stage 3 vault descent present, Stage 2 Rectocele present, Rugosity of vaginal skin and diagnosed with STAGE III POSTHYSTERECTOMY PELVIC ORGAN PROLAPSE.

The Patient was operated by Prof Dr



K.Seethalakshmi MBBS, DGO, Dip.N.B(OBG), Ph.D, MNAMS. TOTAL COLPECTOMY AND TOTAL COLPOCLEISIS +DISTAL LEVATOR MYORRHAPHY AND PERINEOPLASTY surgery was done and the patient was fit for discharge on 4th Post Operative Day.

The Patient and her attenders thanked the Team of Drs and Staffs of Vijaya Group of Hospitals and appreciated their support. They said that there will be lots of mothers, sisters and relatives who will be silently suffering without sharing with the family due to embarrassment. Those patients who are suffering should come forward to take the support of Senior Drs and advanced medical procedures.

Mrs B Bharathi Reddy, Managing Trustee and CEO, Vijaya Group of Hospitals, Dr Anil Kumar, Deputy Chief Medical Officer, Vijaya Group of Hospitals were present.

About Pelvic floor surgery and the need for Geriatric Urogynecology

Introduction: The topic of Geriatric Urogynecology is receiving much attention lately as a public health priority because of the global increase in female life expectancy and the significant risk of associated pelvic floor dysfunctions. Statistics from the USA project that in 2050, 25 % of the population will be >60 years and that those >85 will increase from a population of 1.9 % in 2010 to 4.3 % in 2050.

One in 9 women will undergo surgery for prolapse or incontinence by 80 years of age. Women aged >80 years undergoing urogynecological surgery have a 13.6 higher risk of postoperative death than their younger counterparts.

Main concerns when treating elderly women are:

1. Functional aging with myogenic and

neurological changes

2. Polypharmacy
 3. Impaired cognitive function and risk of delirium

Colpocleisis is an effective, obliterative procedure for treatment of advanced Pelvic organ prolapse ideal for patients who are no longer sexually active or cannot tolerate a more extensive procedure. It remains one of the most durable and least invasive surgical procedures for prolapse, with success rates of 98% to 100%.

Colpocleisis is in increasing popularity in our aging population is due to less dissection, shorter operating time and low risk of complications. This seems to be a reasonable choice especially because many candidates are older and frail women with multiple comorbid conditions with poly pharmacy.

Intraoperative and postoperative complications rate are 4.9 % and 18.1 % respectively. Elderly women can undergo urogynecologic surgery with an acceptable rate of complications and should not be excluded from interventions that may improve their quality of life.

Conclusion : Biological age should not deter surgical treatment for women with pelvic floor dysfunctions.

ASCOTT ORGANISES 4th EDITION OF ITS FUTSAL TOURNAMENT 'ASCOTT PREMIER LEAGUE' IN ASSOCIATION WITH UNHCR

Chennai, December 18, 2021: CapitaLand Investment's wholly owned lodging business unit, The Ascott Limited (Ascott), organized the fourth edition of its Futsal tournament, the Ascott Premier League. The tournament saw Chennai's elite diplomatic community coming together for the coveted title. This year the tournament was organized in association with Honorary Consular Corps Diplomatique (HCCD) and United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), the UN Refugee Agency. Mr Dayanidhi Maran, Member of Parliament and Mr P. K. Sekar Babu, Minister for Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments Government of Tamil Nadu were the chief guests at the event. Speaking at the event, Ms Supriya Malhotra, Ascott's Area General Manager said, "We are delighted to be hosting our fourth edition of the Ascott Premier League and have the unwavering support of Chennai's diplomatic community. The objective of this year's Ascott Premier League is to promote fitness and camaraderie amongst the diplomatic community based in Chennai but most importantly to throw light on the plight of refugees



(indoor Futsal court) in Nungambakkam. The eight teams that participated in the tournament this year were Consulates of Japan, South Korea, Malaysia, Thailand, Russia and UK, along with one team comprising of Honorary Consuls in Chennai and one team representing UNHCR. The UNHCR

who get uprooted from their homeland. We hope this paves the way for more such collaborations in the future." Mr Kiri Atri, Assistant External Relations Officer at UNHCR said: "Sport is an important part of the UNHCR's mandate to protect and empower displaced children and youth, as well as promote social inclusion and develop positive relationships with host communities. Sport has more to offer than just physical rewards. It promotes physical and mental well-being, teamwork, friendship, and respect among the forcibly displaced and those who host them, as well as understanding and positive relationships between them and those who host them. The UNHCR's collaboration with the Ascott in achieving these objectives is fruitful and welcomed." The trophy for



Ascott Premier League was unveiled in a glittering ceremony at Radio Room on 9th December 2021 by Dr Ishari K. Ganesh, Founder and Chairman of Vels University and Vels Film International, Dr. Yashwanth Kumar Venkataraman, Honorary Consul El Salvador and Mr Jose Charles Martin of Whistle Urban Sports Hub, in the presence of other dignitaries from the diplomatic community. The Ascott Premier League took place on 12th December, Sunday, at Whistle Urban Sports Hub

team comprised of refugees that the organization is supporting. Two groups of four teams each competed within the group. After winning 3 rounds each in the Group level, the UNHCR team comprising of refugee players from the Thiruvathur camp and Team Russia played against each other in the finals. UNHCR beat Russia 4-0 and were declared the champions of Ascott Premier League 2021. Mahindra XUV 700 and Yash Dental Hospital also partnered in organizing this event.

Ride the Revolution Home, Ola S1 deliveries begin from today

Bangalore, December 18, 2021: Ola Electric, India's leading manufacturer of electric two-wheelers begins deliveries for Ola S1 scooters from today. Special events were organized for the first 100 customers today in Bangalore and Chennai where they came with their friends and family to ride their revolutionary Ola S1 and S1 Pro home.

Varun Dubey, Chief Marketing Officer, Ola Electric said, "Today is a landmark day for those

who have joined the revolution with us as we begin our deliveries of Ola S1. We are working hard to ramp up the production at the Ola Futurefactory to get the scooters in the hands of our customers as per their delivery windows. Thank you all for being a part of this iconic milestone and helping us accelerate the transition to sustainable clean mobility. This is just the beginning of the revolution, and from here we look forward to offering customers a

seamless, convenient, and timely doorstep delivery and ownership experience."

The company had last month rolled out the largest-ever direct-to-consumer experience initiative in the history of automotive retail, offering customer test rides across India.

To fulfill the overwhelming reservation and purchase response received across the country, priority deliveries are based on an automated

scientific approach that decides the delivery handover as per their purchase date, variant, location, color, and other factors.

The Ola S1 scooters are manufactured at Ola's state-of-the-art Futurefactory which is the largest, most advanced, and sustainable two-wheeler factory in the world. At full capacity of 10 million annual production, the Ola Futurefactory will be completely operated by about 10,000 women.

Tata International launches 'TAGRA' A premium range of work and safety, military and security shoes

Chennai, December 18, 2021: Tata International, the global trading arm of the Tata group and one of India's leading exporters of leather and leather products, today announced the launch of TAGRA - a premium range of performance footwear for the safety, manufacturing, military and security sectors. Tata International Ltd. has designed TAGRA shoes with an aim to protect the protectors and support wellbeing in the industrial sector.

Commenting on the launch, Atul Nagrath, Head of Leather Products,

Tata International Ltd said, "We are proud to launch a premium 'Made in India' work and safety, military and security shoe brand in the country. The shoes have been crafted using FeetScience, Tata International's scientific study of human feet, to provide unparalleled levels of quality and comfort. The name TAGRA means strong. Our range of performance shoes, focusing on the middle and higher market segment, are made of high quality sustainable leather from Tata International tanneries. The shoes are loaded with additional

features like composite toe, anti-penetration soles, waterproofing and thermolite insulation and can be tailored to fit the requirements of various sectors."

Tata International Ltd. has been supplying safety shoes in India under the brand name Stryde. So far the focus was on catering to customers' needs for an economical range of safety shoes with PVC and PU Soles.

As one of India's leading exporter, manufacturer and supply chain integrator of leather and leather products, Tata International exports to

over 35 countries. Maintaining international quality standards and their customer centric approach have helped them build global associations with brands like Clarks, Caleres, Wolverine, Gabor, Deichmann, Zara, H&M, Marks & Spencer, Alpine Stars, Kenneth Cole and others. The company has incorporated eco-friendly methods into leather manufacturing processes with the use of emerging technology and extensive in-house R&D in line with the company's long term ESG agenda, while maintaining its leadership position in the market.

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A fitting finale for Crowne Celebrations 2021

Chennai, December 18, 2021: The grand finale of the 'Crowne Celebrations -2021' put together by Crowne Plaza Chennai Adyar Park and Wedding Vows magazine, turned out to be a glitzy affair with celebrities headlining the three-part fashion showcase. The highlight of the one-day extravaganza featuring products by homegrown artisans, couture and gift brands was the exclusive Vyaana Luxe diamonds curated by Dr Sushmitha that were presented for public viewing for the very first time.

The bridal fashion shows featuring

collections from ace designers Geetu Naidu and Architha Narayanan were headlined by actresses



Sneha and Nivetha Pethuraj. Film and television actress, Shivani Narayanan was the showstopper for the grand finale show put together by Mumbai-based celebrity and bridal fashion

designer, Archana Kochhar. The invite-only show

featuring India's top models with three rounds of bridal and trousseau fashion designed by some of the top bridal couture designers in the country was well-attended by celebrities, socialites,

designers and other prominent persons.

Being one of the first few iconic properties in Chennai, even after four decades of unparalleled hospitality, Crowne Plaza Chennai Adyar Park continues to remain one of the most sought-after destinations for opulent celebrations in the city. The exclusive event has shone a spotlight on Crowne Plaza Chennai's newly renovated ballrooms that are perfect venues to host special events, weddings and other celebrations complemented by specially curated gourmet offerings.

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The company plans to raise funds via initial public offer through offer for sale of equity shares aggregating upto Rs. 1,100 crores (The "Offer for Sale") by Sion Investment Holdings PTE. Limited (The "Promoter Selling Shareholder")

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Chennai, December 18, 2021: CMS Info Systems Limited (The "Company") to open its Bid/Offer in relation to its initial public offering on December 21, 2021.

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Funds at or above the Anchor Investor Allocation Price.

Further 5% of the Net QIB Portion shall be available for allocation on a proportionate basis to Mutual Funds only, and the remainder of the QIB Portion shall be available for allocation on a proportionate basis to all QIB Bidders (other than Anchor Investors), including Mutual Funds, subject to valid Bids being received at or above the Offer Price. However, if the aggregate demand from Mutual Funds is less than 5% of the QIB Portion, the balance Equity Shares available for allocation in the Mutual Fund Portion will be added to the remaining QIB Portion for proportionate allocation to QIBs. Further, not less than 15% of the Offer shall be

available for allocation on a proportionate basis to Non-Institutional Bidders and not less than 35% of the Offer shall be available for allocation to RIBs in accordance with the SEBI ICDR Regulations, subject to valid Bids being received from them at or above the Offer Price. All potential Bidders (except Anchor Investors) are required to mandatorily utilise the Application Supported by Blocked Amount ("ASBA") process providing details of their respective bank account (including UPI ID for RIBs using UPI Mechanism), in which the corresponding Bid Amounts will be blocked by the SCSBs or the Sponsor Bank, as applicable. Anchor Investors are not permitted to participate in the Offer through the ASBA process.

