

Fulfilling popular demand, U.S. Consulate General Chennai's American Center opens this Saturday, June 10

Chennai, June 08 2023: The American Center, located inside the U.S. Consulate General Chennai, will be open on Saturday, June 10 from 9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. A powerhouse of books, discussions, cultural events, and resource materials, the American Center has been an integral part of Chennai's cultural and

literary landscape for the last 76 years.

On June 10, the public can access the American Center without prior appointment and attend various programs lined up from morning to evening, in addition to gaining access to thousands of

books on varied topics.

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General Chennai's Public Affairs Officer Jennifer Bullock said:

"We are excited to welcome the public to the American Center once again on a Saturday! Our patrons and visitors have been looking forward to a Saturday opening to attend our programs, visit the Center, and meet our Education

USA and U.S.-India

Educational Foundation advisors for a long time."

The American Center is celebrating Pride Month and the programming on June 10 is anchored around this theme. At 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, there will be a book-reading session for young children (ages 4 to 8) on diversity.

At 11:00 a.m., there will be a panel

discussion with young leaders from the LGBTQI+ community on "LGBTQI+ community

and questions on belonging." The panelists are Natasha, who works at a leading multinational corporation (MNC) in Chennai; Malini Jeevarathnam, filmmaker and founder of

Veytikaari productions; and Chethana, lawyer and founder of SWAN (Safe Workplace Network). Vasanth

Venkatachari, Director at Cognizant Technologies, will moderate the panel.

At 3:30 p.m., Education USA will present a session on "Diversity and inclusion in U.S. classrooms."

Diversity and inclusion are key aspects of U.S. higher education that make them stand out to welcome students from different backgrounds.

The public is welcome to visit the American Center and attend the above programs. To enter the American Center, visitors are requested to carry an original Indian

government-issued photo identity card

and enter from the Cathedral Road entrance. Cell phones must be deposited at the security counter of the Consulate General. Other electronic devices, including iPads/smart watches/laptops, etc., are not allowed. Wearing masks is mandatory to enter the building.

PRESIDENT OF INDIA REACHES SERBIA; ADDRESSES INDIAN COMMUNITY AND FRIENDS OF INDIA IN BELGRADE



Chennai, June 08 2023: The President of India, Smt Droupadi Murmu reached Belgrade, Serbia today (June 7, 2023) in the final leg of her State Visit to Suriname and Serbia. This is the first visit by an Indian President to Serbia. In a special gesture, she was received by President Aleksandar Vucic of Serbia and accorded a guard of honour at the Nikola Tesla Airport, Belgrade. From the Airport, the President travelled to Gandijevo Street and paid respects at the bust of Mahatma Gandhi.

Later in the evening, the President interacted with the Indian Community and Friends of India at a Community Reception hosted by the Ambassador of India to Serbia, Shri Sanjiv Kohli in Belgrade.

Addressing the gathering, the President said that India and Serbia are ancient lands. In the modern era, India's relations with Serbia were particularly defined in the context of the Non-Aligned Movement. India and Serbia have always shared an understanding of each other's core

interests, she said, adding that based on this bilateral foundation, she would look forward to interacting with the Serbian leadership during the visit.

The President said that Serbia has been a valuable partner in India's sustainable development cooperation programmes. On the global stage, she pointed out that India is recognized as a responsible development partner, a First Responder, and a voice of the Global South. Each of these

aspects reflects our quest towards becoming a leading power, she said, and also referred to the leading role played by India on the issues related to climate action, counter-terrorism, connectivity, maritime security, financial inclusion and food security.

The President appreciated the Serbian Friends of India for their admiration and love for India. She said that their role in strengthening the friendship and understanding between India and Serbia is invaluable.

Jyotiraditya M. Scindia enumerates achievements of Ministry of Civil aviation on completion of nine years of 'Seva, Sushashan & Gareeb Kalyan'

Chennai, June 08 2023: On the completion of nine years of the Modi Government, Minister of Civil Aviation, Shri Jyotiraditya M. Scindia today shared the achievements of Ministry of Civil Aviation in the last nine years in New Delhi. He said, "Under the leadership of Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi, the aviation sector which was only limited to a few is within the reach of the common man now."

The Minister added that India is the 3rd largest domestic aviation market. The total number of domestic passenger in 2014 was 60 million which doubled to 143 million in 2020 prior to Covid-19. International passengers have increased from 43 million to 64 million (increase of almost 50%). In terms of aircraft, the numbers have increased from around 400 in 2014 to 723 in 2023 despite the impact of Covid-19.

Till 2014, only 74 airports were operational in the country. By March



2023, the Government operationalised another 74 airports / Helicopters/Water Aerodromes, and the Government of India aims to take the total to 220.

During last 9 years, 11 more Greenfields airports have been operationalized. Under UDAN scheme, 180 RCS airports including 25 Water Aerodromes & 40 Helipads have been identified for operation of RCS flights in the country. As of now, out of 1152 valid awarded RCS routes, 475 RCS routes have commenced, connecting 74 airports including 9 Heliports & 2 Water Aerodromes.

121.67 lakh passengers have travelled under RCS UDAN scheme and

VGF amount of around Rs. 2585.25 crore has been released to selected airline operators as on 11.4.2023 for operation of RCS UDAN flights. Most recently, Udan 5.1 has been launched specifically for helicopter routes.

The number of Flying training organisations (FTOs) in June 2016 was 29. This number increased to 35 with 54 bases as on date. By December, 2023, 9 more bases are likely to be added, taking the number of bases to 63. From fiscal year 2014-15 to 2019-20, the total cargo handled grew from 25.27 Lakh MT to 33.28 Lakh MT with CAGR of 5.66% through cargo facilities at 24 AAI managed

airports and 6 JV/PPP airports.

Digi Yatra has been launched for domestic flights passengers. Digi Yatra is setting a new global benchmark for a seamless, hassle free and health risk free passenger process at airports. It was launched at 3 airports i.e. Delhi, Bengaluru & Varanasi on 1st December, 2022 and at 4 airports namely, Hyderabad, Kolkata, Pune and Vijayawada in March, 2023. Subsequently, it would be implemented across various airports in the country.

Responding to query on the subject of air fares, the Minister informed about his meeting with Airline operators 2 days back which has resulted in reduction in prices. The Minister said, "In case of the unfortunate Odisha tragedy, airlines have been advised to provide free carriage (cargo) services to the families of the deceased".

The Minister also explained that the role of Ministry of Civil Aviation is of a facilitator not a regulator.

Union Cabinet approves continuation of Central Sector Scheme of 'Exploration of Coal and Lignite Scheme'

Chennai, June 08 2023: The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) chaired by the Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi today approved the continuation of the Central Sector Scheme of "Exploration of Coal and Lignite scheme" with an estimated expenditure of Rs. 2980 crore from 2021-22 to

2025-26 co-terminus with the 15th Finance Commission cycle.

Under this scheme, exploration for Coal and Lignite is conducted in two broad stages: (i) Promotional (Regional) Exploration and (ii) Detailed Exploration in Non-Coal India Limited blocks.

The approval will provide an outlay of

Rs.1650 crore for Promotional (Regional) Exploration and Rs.1330 crore for Detailed Drilling in Non-CIL areas. Approximately, 1300 sq. km area will be covered under Regional exploration and approximately 650 sq. km area will be covered under Detailed exploration.

Exploration for Coal

and Lignite is required to prove and estimate coal resources available in the country which helps in preparing detailed project report to start coal mining. The Geological reports prepared through these exploration is used for auctioning new coal blocks and the cost is thereafter recovered from successful allocatee.

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BADMINTON LEGEND AND OLYMPIAN PULLELA GOPICHAND JOINS HANDS WITH THE INDIAN PADEL FEDERATION AS ADVISOR

Chennai, June 08 2023: Padel, the dynamic and fast-growing sport, receives a momentous boost as the Indian Padel Federation (IPF) announces a strategic partnership with badminton legend Pullela Gopichand that is set to propel the sport to unprecedented heights in the country. Gopichand, a Padma Bhushan, Dronacharya and Arjuna awardee, joins the IPF as an Advisor, bringing his enormous wealth of expertise and experience, having made an indelible mark in producing a host of world-class shuttlers.

Padel has proven to be an addictive sport and lucrative business investment across the world and this is what caught the attention of Supriya Devgun, former bronze medalist at the 2017 BWF World Senior Badminton Championship, and Founder & Managing Director, Badminton Gurukul, who has joined the Indian Padel Federation as a key Board Member.

Speaking about his partnership with the Indian Padel Federation, Pullela Gopichand said, "I am thrilled to join the Indian Padel Federation as an advisor and



contribute to the growth and development of Padel in India. Padel is an exciting sport with tremendous potential, and I am committed to utilising experience to elevate it to new heights. Through this partnership, we aim to create a vibrant ecosystem, nurture talent, and inspire a new generation of Padel players. Together with the IPF, we will work towards establishing Padel as a mainstream sport, while fostering a culture of excellence in the Indian Padel community."

Speaking about her association with the Indian Padel Federation, Supriya Devgun said, "Being a sports person, sports entrepreneur and administrator, vision and motivation for me has always been to spread physical literacy in the country. Padel, being a new sport, gives a level playing field to all, is

easier to learn and compete, compared to a lot of other sports. And hence, the motivation for me to be associated with the Indian Padel Federation is to see more people in the country playing sport!"

Sneha Abraham Sehgal, President of the Indian Padel Federation, said, "From being chosen by the European Olympic Committees as an independent discipline, to the Qatar Sports Investment bankrolling Premier Padel, Padel is taking the world by storm. At this juncture, we are excited and honoured to have Pullela Gopichand join Indian Padel Federation as the strategic advisor. Supriya Devgun will join the Indian Padel Federation as a key Board member. The cumulative experience of Gopichand and Supriya gives us the confidence to move ahead strategically, so

that Padel becomes the most preferred racquet sport in the years to come."

Since its establishment in 2018, the IPF has been diligently laying the foundation through the successful rollouts of national ranking tournaments and friendly matches, fostering a sense of camaraderie among Padel enthusiasts. As a founding member of the APAC Padel association, the IPF has been instrumental in promoting regional growth and collaboration within the Padel community.

Operating as a not-for-profit organisation, the IPF upholds core values of integrity, quality, and discipline. Through effective governance, certifications, coaching programs, and ranking structures, the IPF believes the sport's future in the country holds immense potential, propelled by factors such as the burgeoning urban population, increased spending capacity, growing interest from foreign businesses and brands, inclusivity that allows diverse demographics to enjoy the sport together.

Enjoy smart entertainment with the newly launched BRAVIA X70L television series

Chennai, June 08 2023: Sony India today announced the new BRAVIA X70L television series with 4K Ultra HD LED display. This next generation television series is designed to provide best-in-class entertainment and true-to-life viewing experience. With X70L, enter the world of smart entertainment and experience movies in beautiful color and incredible 4K clarity with crystal clear sound.

1. Enjoy life-like colors, contrast and fine details with X1 4K Processor and Live Colour technology

Sony's latest X70L TV series is available in 108cm (43) and 126cm (50). The new X70L which has X1 Picture Processor. This powerful X1 processor uses advanced algorithms to cut noise and boost details. With a clear 4K signal, everything you watch is closer to 4K resolution with full of life-like color powered by Live Colour technology.

2. The X-Reality PRO and Motionflow™ XR in X70L offers stunning 4K picture quality making viewing experience more vivid and smooth

The new BRAVIA X70L, 4K television series let you enjoy amazing 4K visuals, rich with real world detail and texture. Images filmed in 2K and even Full HD are upscaled close to 4K resolution by 4K X-Reality™ PRO using a unique 4K database. You can enjoy smooth and sharp details even in fast-moving sequences with Motionflow™ XR. This innovative technology creates and inserts extra frames between the



original ones. It compares key visual factors on successive frames, then calculates the split second of missing action in the sequences. Some models also include black

3. Enjoy an immersive experience with punchy bass, powerful and natural sound with Dolby Audio and clear phase technology

BRAVIA X70L comes with open baffle down firing twin speakers that delivers 20-Watt powerful sound with Dolby Audio. The open baffle speakers deliver impressive low-end sound that's ideal for movies, sport and music. Now experience sound which is clearer and more natural and immerse yourself in enriching music. With clear phase technology BRAVIA™ uses a powerful computer model to analyze and compensate for inaccuracies in speaker response. It does this by 'sampling' the speaker frequency with higher precision. This information is fed back to cancel out any peaks or dips in the speaker's natural response – resulting in pure, natural audio with smooth, even reproduction of all frequencies.

5. X70L series comes with voice enabled remote, making easier to interact with the TV to play your favorite shows and movies

Find your favorite content faster than ever using the power of your voice with the voice enabled remote. There's no more complicated navigation or tiresome typing, you just must ask. The built-in microphones in the remote will allow viewers to have an

works with Apple AirPlay2 and HomeKit as well

With new BRAVIA X70L series, download 10,000+ apps, see 700,000+ movies and TV episodes, plus live TV, all in one place. Google TV brings favourite content from across apps and subscriptions and organizes them. Searching is also easy, you can say "Hey Google, find action movies" to search across apps. Customers can easily find something to watch with personalized recommendations and bookmark shows and movies by adding a watchlist from phone and watch it on TV to keep track of what to watch. Users can even add to their watchlist from their phone or laptop with Google Search and find everything in one place. BRAVIA X70L supports Apple Home Kit and AirPlay that seamlessly integrates Apple devices like iPads and iPhones with the TV for effortless content streaming

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experience that is convenient. Viewers can simply talk to the TV using the Google Assistant to find what they want quickly, or to play TV shows, movies, and more.

6. With the XR protection PRO, the X70L series can perform in the toughest conditions

The new BRAVIA X70L series built is with the new and improved X-Protection PRO technology are made to last. Not only are they equipped with superior dust and humidity protection as they also pass the highest standards of Sony's lightning tests, meaning your TV is safeguarded from lightning strikes and power surges. Keep enjoying seamless entertainment with a TV that lasts longer.

7. X70L features new bezels and comes with sleek smart remote with 6 partner keys to provide immersive entertainment experience

The sleek design of X70L maximizes the screen and minimizes the bezel so you stay focused on what's important which is the picture. As the bezel is extremely narrow, your eyes naturally focus on the picture, not what's around it. The slimline stand has been designed to perfectly match the TV and harmonize with your room and its decor. The X70L comes with small and easy to use remote control with six partner keys (Netflix, Amazon Prime, Disney+Hotstar, Sony LIV, YouTube video and music) to access the favorite video on demand services to dive into the world of entertainment and immersive gaming.

Flipkart's latest 'Big End Of Season Sale' takes over Times Square in New York City; celebrates participation from 10,000+ brands and 200,000+ sellers from across India

Chennai, June 08 2023: Flipkart, India's homegrown e-commerce marketplace, has announced its much-awaited 'Big End of Season Sale' event, which will bring close to 200,000 sellers and more than 10,000+ brands together to bring a wide selection of fashion, beauty and lifestyle products to millions of customers across India. The celebration of this shopping event found its way to one of the most- iconic locations in the world - New York Times Square. Thousands of tourists, locals, and commuters were excited to see a glimpse of India on this global stage, leaving a lasting impression for many. Fashion continues to witness a surge online, with Flipkart clocking millions of orders in the Spring Summer season alone, indicating a growing appetite for fashion. Fashion continues to be a top growth-driver for Flipkart today, with over 40% of new customers coming in through this category.

Flipkart's Big EOSS will be featured in grandeur on a 31' H X 55' W billboard at the iconic New York Times Square attracting over 600,000 to 700,000 eyeballs every hour.

Commenced 1st June 2023, the week-long event will give customers a differentiated shopping experience with the introduction of technology interventions such as Image Search, Video Catalog, Virtual Try-Ons, Video Commerce and Top Filters. Moreover, Flipkart has witnessed heightened interest in its digital first brands. To effectively serve a growing customer base across the country who eagerly await the 'Big End of Season Sale' to access a wide range of fashion and lifestyle products, Flipkart sellers are supported by a robust Supply Chain that delivers to all serviceable pin codes PAN India. Flipkart continues to witness strong growth from emerging metros and T3+ regions for fashion. The End of Season sale will also extend its 'buy now, pay later' offer for its shoppers looking for easy accessibility options.

Speaking about the event, Abhishek Maloo, Senior Director, Flipkart Fashion said, "At Flipkart, the 'End of Season Sale' is truly a festival for us and is an opportunity to bring joy to stakeholders across our ecosystem. This season, the festival is the biggest fashion celebration and we decided to channel

this into our advertising endeavours. For the first time ever, we're extending the shopping euphoria across oceans, all the way to Times Square. Season after season, this event has received immense appreciation from customers across India, unlocking tremendous growth for the sellers and brands on our marketplace. It is our constant endeavour to provide an expansive range of the latest fashion apparel, footwear and accessories, made accessible by a seamless technology-led shopping experience. As India avails best value on the most sought after brands, we intend to enthrall shoppers globally with India's festive fervour."

In line with customer demand, the event is bringing together a wide variety of styles in casual wear, ethnic wear, formal and seasonal wear. This also includes footwear, accessories, men's and women's apparel, and kids' wear. While the event is open for all Sellers and Brands to participate, some customer favourites this season include home-grown D2C brands such as Being Human, Cultsport, Urbanic, Hershenbox and Mokobara, Fubar, AADI, Krassa and The Kapas; ethnic wear brands such as Libas, Biba; and



activewear brands including Nike, PUMA, Adidas, HRX, Fastrack. Brands including Peter England, Blackberrys, Arrow, and Woodland will also feature in the formalwear selection and Allen Solly, Jack and Jones and Crocs, will feature in the kids' wear section.

Customers can avail various bank offers when making their fashion purchases during the Big End of Season Sale, such as:

Flat Rs.25 on minimum purchase of Rs.250 from Paytm UPI and Flat Rs.100 on minimum order of Rs.1000.

ICICI and SBI consumers can also benefit from the 10% Instant Discount coupons with minimum order value of Rs. 500.

Head to Flipkart to explore more such offers.

Aditya Birla Group forays into branded jewellery retail

Chennai, June 08 2023: Aditya Birla Group is set to foray into the branded jewellery retail business with an investment of around Rs 5000 crore. This business will be housed in a new venture, "Novel Jewels Ltd", that will build large-format exclusive jewellery retail stores across India, with in-house jewellery brands. The new venture will seek to transform the customer experience by creating an aspirational national brand with unique designs and a strong regional flavour. This is the Group's third major foray into a new business in the last two years after paints, and B2B e-commerce for building materials.

Mr. Kumar Mangalam Birla, Chairman, Aditya Birla Group said, "Aditya Birla Group's foray into branded jewellery retail marks a pivotal moment



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in our storied legacy of building businesses underpinned on trust. This foray is a strategic portfolio choice that allows us to tap into new growth engines and expand our presence in the vibrant Indian consumer landscape. With rising disposable income, discerning and aspirational consumers are leaning more towards design-led, bespoke, and high-quality jewellery.

This venture will capitalise on Aditya Birla Group's deep expertise in lifestyle retail and nuanced understanding of consumer preferences."

The new venture will be operated by a newly recruited leadership team with deep retail and category expertise.

India's gems and jewellery market contributes approximately 7% to the GDP. The jewellery

market is projected to grow to ~USD 90 billion by 2025. Amidst this rapid growth, a steady transition from an unorganized to an organized sector is being observed. The Group's timely entry is set to embellish this dynamic landscape, offering Indian consumers a diverse array of meticulously crafted and intricately designed jewellery.

Bring home BRAVIA X75L television series for a thrilling gaming experience

Chennai, June 08 2023: Sony India today announced the new BRAVIA X75L television series with 4K Ultra HD LED display. These next generation televisions are defined by delivering a personalized and true-to-life viewing experience. With X75L, enter the world of true entertainment and experience thrilling games, movies in beautiful color and incredible 4K clarity with clear and natural sound.



1. Experience beautiful colors, contrast, and fine details with X1 4K Processor and Live Colour technology

Sony's new X75L TV series is available in 108cm (43), 126cm (50), 139cm (55), 164cm (65). The new X75L encompasses of X1 Picture Processor. The powerful X1 processor uses advanced algorithms to cut noise and boost detail. With an even clearer 4K signal, everything you watch is closer to 4K resolution, full of life-like color powered by Live Color technology.

2. With X-Reality PRO and Motionflow™ XR experience stunning 4K picture quality to make viewing experience more vivid and smooth

The new BRAVIA X75L, 4K televisions let you see glorious 4K pictures, rich with real world detail and texture. Images filmed in 2K and even Full HD are upscaled close to 4K resolution by 4K X-Reality™ PRO using a unique 4K database. You can enjoy smooth and sharp details even in fast-moving sequences with Motionflow™ XR. This innovative technology creates and inserts extra frames between the original ones. It compares key visual factors on successive frames, then calculates the split second of missing action in the sequences. Some models also include black

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4. X75L series offers smart user experience with Google TV which offers endless entertainment through 10,000+ Apps & games along with 700,000+ Movies and TV series. It also works seamlessly with Apple AirPlay2 and HomeKit

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Apple devices like iPads and iPhones with the TV for effortless content streaming

5. X75L comes with the feature for PS5 that transforms your gaming experience with Auto HDR Tone Mapping and Auto Genre Picture Mode. Its HDMI 2.1 compatibility supports gaming with Auto Low Latency Mode (ALLM)

With Auto Low Latency Mode in HDMI 2.1, the X75L recognizes when a console is connected and powered on and automatically switches to low latency mode. You'll enjoy smoother, more responsive game play, which is vital for fast-moving, high-intensity games. With Auto HDR Tone Mapping the HDR settings will be optimized instantly during your PS5™ console's initial setup. Your PS5™ automatically recognizes individual BRAVIA TV models and selects the best HDR setting for your TV accordingly. So even in high contrast scenes, you'll see the crucial details and colors in the brightest and darkest parts of the screen. The TV will automatically switch into Game mode to minimize input lag and make the action more responsive. When watching movies on PlayStation 5™ consoles, it switches back to standard mode to focus on picture processing for more expressive scenes.

7. X75L series is designed to perform in the toughest conditions with the XR protection PRO

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Nissan Magnite achieves 100,000 production milestone

Chennai, June 08 2023: Nissan Motor India Pvt. Ltd. (NMIPL) today announced the production rollout of its 100,000th Magnite from its Alliance plant (RNAIPL) in Chennai. The Nissan Magnite reflects Nissan Motor India's manufacturing philosophy of "Make-In-India, Make for the World". This production milestone achievement underscores Nissan Motor India's commitment in delivering high-quality products and services that exceed customer expectations and its belief in India's potential as a major automotive manufacturing hub. Designed in Japan and manufactured in India, the Magnite which was launched in December 2020 has emerged as the preferred choice for many customers.

The Nissan Magnite is a global product and is currently exported to 15 global markets, with recent launches in Seychelles, Bangladesh, Uganda, and Brunei. Nissan Motor India has exported more than a million vehicles from its Chennai plant to 108 destinations, including New Zealand, Australia, and countries in the Middle East, Europe, Latin America, South-East Asia, SAARC, Sub Sahara, and African regions. Nissan Motor India was recently recognized by the Chennai Office of the



Chief Commissioner of Customs for its excellent contributions to exports from India, highlighting its commitment to "Make in India, Make for the World".

Speaking about this achievement, Rakesh Srivastava, Managing Director, Nissan Motor India, said, "The Big, Bold, Beautiful Nissan Magnite has been a game-changer in the Indian market. The production of the 100,000th Magnite is testimony of Nissan's brand promise of providing its customers products that are high on value, safety and strong customer service making it a global product. At Nissan, we are not just building cars - we are building the future of mobility led by product innovation, technological distinction, and customer satisfaction."

The Magnite has received several prestigious accolades since its launch, including

the recently awarded '2023 ICONIC Brand of the Year' at the Dainik Jagran INext ICONIC Awards; 'Compact SUV of the Year 2021' by Top Gear; 'Game Changer' award by Motor Octane; and 'Value for Money' by Autocar India, amongst others.

Keerthi Prakash, MD, Renault Nissan Automotive India Pvt Ltd, said, "The Nissan Magnite's 100,000 production rollout is a proud moment for the Nissan Family, a significant milestone in Nissan's commitment to 'Make in India, Make for the World'. The Chennai plant in addition to catering to the domestic market, exports vehicles to 108 destinations in collaboration with our supply chain partners; producing high-quality products with best-in-class safety features that exceed customer expectations."

Nissan has also

provided its customers with a better value-focused transition to BS6 Stage 2 norms with the introduction of the Nissan Magnite BS6 Stage 2 RDE-compliant version earlier this year; equipped with new best-in-class safety features as standard across all variants, as well as a GNCAP 4.0 safety rating.

Nissan Motor India recently launched the Magnite Geza Special Edition, the first of its many scheduled product actions for the Magnite this year to commemorate this production milestone. The Magnite GEZA Special Edition is inspired by Japanese theatre and its expressive musical themes. Based on this concept, the Magnite GEZA Special Edition offers a bouquet of feature enhancements coupled with an advanced infotainment system that delivers an enhanced sensory experience.

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CHALLANI'S DAIMOND FESTIVAL Challani Jewellers T.Nagar Celebrates Diamond Festival From 5th June To 15th June



Chennai, June 08 2023: The Inauguration Has Taken Place Today At Challani Jewellers In A Style The Diamond Festive Was Inaugurated By Mr.Marthanda Verma (Prince Of Travancore).Ms Veen Kumaravel Ms.Vimala Britto Ms.Shanti Suresh Ms.Sindura All The Guest Were Felicited By Challani Brothers Mr.Goutam Challani And Mr.Sripal Challani TIME TO GRAB YOUR FAVOURITE DIAMONDS N DESIGNS JUST FOR YOU.

ICICI Prudential Life Insurance relaxes claims settlement process for Odisha train accident victims

Chennai, June 08 2023: ICICI Prudential Life Insurance has relaxed the claim settlement process for the families impacted by the Odisha train accident and stands in solidarity with them. The Company will also expedite the claim settlement to provide financial relief to those affected by the tragedy.

The processing of death and health claims including those covered under the Pradhan Mantri

Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana (PMJJBY), will be done on the basis of just three basic documents.

Documents required to settle claims:

- Bank account details

- Death certificate from municipal authorities. If death certificate is not available, list of deceased passengers issued by hospitals, government authorities or the police

Copy of valid address proof of the nominee

To assist with claim related inquiries, the Company has set up a dedicated 24X7 helpline number (1-860-266-7766).

Mr. Amish Banker, Senior Executive Vice President – Customer Service & Operations, ICICI Prudential Life Insurance said, "We express our condolences at the loss of lives in the

horrific train crash in Odisha. In this hour of grief, our customers can count on us to be supportive and sensitive to their needs. We have therefore relaxed the claims settlement process as per which the nominee needs to submit only three basic documents. Our dedicated 24X7 helpline is equipped to handle all queries pertaining to claims. Nominees can also call our helpline to get all their queries clarified."

Student Visa Day: Celebrating U.S. – India Higher Education Ties

Chennai, June 08 2023: The U.S. Mission in India held its seventh annual Student Visa Day countrywide today with Consular Officers from New Delhi, Chennai, Hyderabad, Kolkata, and Mumbai interviewing almost 3,500 Indian student visa applicants.

Ambassador Eric Garcetti and Consuls General throughout India congratulated visa recipients as they prepared to join the growing ranks of Indian students who have chosen to study in the United States – the world's leading destination for international students.

"I first came to India as a young student, and I've seen in my own life how transformative these experiences can be," said Ambassador Eric Garcetti. "Student exchange is at the heart of U.S.-India relations, and with good reason. A U.S. education provides students a world-class education



and access to a global network of knowledge, laying the foundation for a lifetime of understanding. That's why we are here today, to encourage these opportunities for as many Indian students as possible."

Student Visa Day celebrates the long-standing higher education ties between the United States and India. This year, more than 200,000 Indian students are studying at U.S. academic institutions, representing more than 20 percent of international students

currently in the United States.

"Last year, a record-breaking 125,000 Indians were issued student visas, which is more than were issued to any other nationality. In fact, one out of every five student visas were issued in India last year. This year, we will interview more students than ever before," remarked Brendan Mullarkey, the acting Minister Counselor for Consular Affairs in India.

The U.S. Mission encourages all students interested in studying in

the United States to contact EducationUSA, the free U.S. government-sponsored advising service that offers credible and comprehensive information to help navigate the admission and visa processes. EducationUSA represents accredited U.S. colleges and universities with eight advising centers across India. Students can visit educationusa.state.gov or [@educationUSAIndia](https://www.facebook.com/educationUSAIndia) on Facebook and Instagram to learn more.

CLIMATE CHANGE CONFERENCE held in Chennai

Chennai, June 08 2023: The Climate Change Conference was hosted by the Trade Commissioner of the Indian Ocean Trade Council Hon. Vadamalai Subash with the presence of the High Commissioners of Jamaica and Charge D Affaires of the Kingdom of Lesotho in Chennai on the 7th June.

Hon. Subash told the delegates how the Climate Change Is the Biggest Threat to Indian Ocean Security and how this crisis requires collective action, and should serve as a catalyst for the revival of the Indian Ocean Rim Association. The Trade commissioner also shed light on the potential disasters that the world and the Indian Ocean region might have to face in the coming decades. "This is just the tip of the iceberg when it comes to the issues concerning the Indo-Pacific. But the threat of an existential crisis due to natural disasters for a number of island states in the region requires a joint plan of action to tackle the current situation" he said.

He also mentioned how the decline of multilateralism and multilateral institutions has led to a lack of accountability among states in responding to global challenges. He appreciated the presence of the Jamaican High Commissioner HE Jason Keats Hall and the Charge D Affaires of Kingdom of Lesotho HE Mr Thabang Linus Kholumo. Both of them participated in the dialogue of the multilateral body with the ability to promote cooperation which is the need of the hour. Climate change and the potential havoc it might bring to the Indian Ocean region can and must serve as a wake up call. However, this must also be used as a base to address other long-standing problems concerning the region as a whole.

Global warming and its implications for the Indian Ocean region remain the foremost issue that needs to be addressed. With warming levels estimated to be three times higher than in the Pacific, coastal areas across the Indian Ocean region are likely to see a continuous rise in sea levels, resulting in severe coastal erosion. This in turn will result in frequent flooding in low-lying areas. The Indian Ocean is rising at a level of 3.7 millimeters annually, and extreme sea disasters can be expected nearly every year.

High Commissioner of Jamaican and the Lesotho Charge D Affaires honored the Trade Commissioner by



giving the certificate of appointment and appreciating the cause of climate change.

Jamaica signed to the Paris Agreement, which seeks to guide the treatment of climate change by limiting the rise of the global temperature below 2 ° Celsius and they also became a party to the United National Framework Convention on Climate Change which seeks to regulate Greenhouse Gas Emissions. Jamaica also implemented a Climate Change Focal Point Network (CCFPN) – a network which is comprised of representatives of over 27 Ministries and Agencies who are tasked with mobilising resources through the Climate Change Division of the Ministry of Economic Growth and Job Creation, They also partnered with the agencies, such as the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and the Japan-Climate Change Programme to create Mitigation Actions, they also supported the School Garden's Pilot Project in the implementation of drip irrigation systems, and the regeneration of school gardens and mainly supported the rehabilitation of the Montego Bay Breakwater Structures. Montego Bay is the major source of tourism revenue for Jamaica.

"Climate change is affecting Lesotho as it does any other country – abnormal seasons, rainy when it's not supposed to be, dry winters... it affects the cropping of Lesotho," says Dr. Asif Iqbal, President of the Indian Economic Trade Organization. "We hope through Indian collaboration we can create tools to be able to foresee all of that, and try to solve the problem from what we see on the maps." he said.

During the event the diplomats along with the Trade commissioner also launched the special annual report of the Climate change by the ministry of Environment and Forest

In 2007, a severe drought in Lesotho and South Africa drastically reduced crop yields and increased food prices.

Climate change is an increasing threat to Africa as increasing temperatures and sea levels, changing precipitation patterns and more extreme weather are threatening human health and safety, food and water security and socio-economic development in Africa, according to a new report devoted exclusively to the continent.

Climate change is having a growing impact on the African continent, hitting the most vulnerable hardest, and contributing to food insecurity, population displacement and stress on water resources. In recent months there have been devastating floods, an invasion of desert locusts and now face the looming spectre of drought because of a La Niña event. The human and economic toll has been aggravated by the COVID-19 pandemic in Africa.

The year 2019 was among the three warmest years on record for the continent. That trend is expected to continue. African temperatures in recent decades have been warming at a rate comparable to that of most other continents, and thus somewhat faster than global mean surface temperature.

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planning, better cropping, better production."

For years, WFP has used cutting-edge GIS data to chart the course for programmes and the vehicles that deliver them in countries such as Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Haiti, Mozambique, and Syria. Despite several steps in a positive direction, India's efforts are widely seen as a long way from the drastic measures needed to respond to the climate emergency. India is the only major country to be on track to achieve its targets set out in the landmark Paris climate agreement, according to the UN Environment Program's Emission Gap Report.

For instance, India plans to reduce the emissions intensity of GDP – the volume of carbon emissions emitted for every unit of GDP – by around 35% by 2030 from 2005 levels. "India has achieved its voluntary target of reducing emissions intensity of its GDP by 21% over 2005 levels by 2020," the country's environment minister said last November. The country is also nearing its 2015 goal of achieving about 40% share of non-fossil fuel-based electricity generating capacity, which the government expects will be achieved by 2023 – seven years ahead of schedule. Indian Economic Trade Organization is working on leading a delegation to the COP28 to be held in Dubai in November 2023. The delegation will be led by the Trade Commissioner of Indian Ocean Trade Council in Chennai. Hon. Vadamalai Subash whp will address the Indian Oceans strategic initiatives in Climate Change.

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