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- Hon'ble Chief Minister Shri Naveen Patnaik led a Silent Prayer today, through video conference, commemorating supreme sacrifice of COVID warriors who have lost their lives being affected by COVID-19. He further administered oath to remind all of us to act responsibly and strictly follow the COVID guideline to keep ourselves and our families safe. Peoples' representatives, Officers, Employees and people of Odisha participated in the silent prayer and oath taking programme.
- Hon'ble Chief Minister inaugurated today, through a video conference, Plasma Banks at MKCG Medical College and Hospital, Berhampur and VIMSAR, Burla. Emphasising on the importance of Plasma therapy in fighting COVID, he said that Plasma Bank have been established in different regions to provide treatment for serious COVID patients. Till date, 60 COVID patients have been given Plasma Therapy and out of these 48 patients are recuperating well, he added. Hon'ble Minister, Forest and Environment, Hon'ble Minister, Health and Family Welfare, Chief Secretary, Addl. Chief Secretary, Health and Family Welfare, Addl. Chief Secretary and Special Relief Commissioner, Secretary to Hon'ble Chief Minister (5T) and Secretary, E&IT with Senior Officers were present.
- Hon'ble Chief Minister congratulated the Plasma Bank team at SCB Medical College, Cuttack on achieving the milestone of collecting first 100 plasma units. He said that Plasma Therapy has greatly strengthened Odisha's effort in this war against COVID-19 and helped recover many serious Covid patients.
- As per direction of Hon'ble Chief Minister, persons who have successfully completed institutional quarantine are being given incentive of Rs.2000/- each. A sum of Rs. 116,40,70,000/- has been paid so far. This amount is given from Chief Minister's Relief Fund.
- As of now, 6770 Covid Care Homes are operational in 6,798 Gram Panchayats of the State. In all these Centres, total no. of 67,805 beds have been arranged to provide COVID-19 health services.
- As of now, 1491 number of Cluster level TMCs have been completed with 71,834 beds in the State.

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- From 4th August morning to 5th August morning, 11 nos. of cases have been registered by the Police in the state for violation of different regulations and guidelines related to COVID-19. Out of these 9 cases are for violation of lock down, 1 case for violation of Home Quarantine and 1 case is related to other issues. 17 persons have been arrested so far.

Health Update

With the recovery of another 1255 COVID patients today, Odisha has crossed 25,000 recoveries.

- Up to midnight of 4th August, 5,85,505 samples have been tested.
- Number of Positive Cases stands 39,018.
- 25,737 persons have already recovered/ discharged.
- No. of Death case 225.
- No of active cases are 11,685.
- 14,349 persons are in Hospital isolation.

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