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- Hon'ble Chief Minister Shri Naveen Patnaik today, through a video conference inaugurated State's 6th Plasma Bank at Saheed Laxman Nayak Medical College & Hospital, Koraput and reiterated his assurance that State Government is committed to provide advanced treatment facilities to all and not a single patient shall be deprived of health services. He also hoped that the Plasma Bank, as a milestone shall strengthen health services in tribal dominated Koraput district.
- Hon'ble Chief Minister while speaking to a Plasma donor thanked him for his noble gesture and called upon others to donate Plasma for treatment of serious Covid patients. He also appreciated the efficiency and sincerity of our doctors and health personnel for success of Plasma Therapy.
- Hon'ble Chief Minister spoke today to Hon'ble Prime Minister Sri Narendra Modi over telephone and requested him for postponement of NEET and JEE Main Examinations in view of COVID-19 pandemic and severe flood situation in many parts of Odisha.
- Hon'ble Chief Minister expressed happiness that Odisha has been ranked 3rd in the country this year in budgeting transparency. He further said that with continued thrust on transparency under 5T initiative, Odisha has once again raised the bar, being placed in the Transparency International Report.
- Hon'ble Chief Minister expressed satisfaction over the fact that Odisha's exquisite handicrafts and handloom products will now be available online through 'Kala Bhoomi' e-Store. He said that products from iconic weaving clusters and studios of Odisha's artisans shall reach the doorsteps of the customers in a single click.
- Odisha has offered 3.53 Sq. Kilometre industry ready land near Bhubaneswar to attract the investors from Japan. Besides, State is ready to provide dedicated research lab, dormitories for employees and other facilities required for new industrial projects.
- Students desirous to join Government ITIs are advised to take their admission on or before 4th September. These institutions with modern infrastructure and developed training facilities are better destinations for employment in leading organisations of the country and self-reliance.

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- As per the direction of Hon'ble Chief Minister, Chief Secretary Sri Asit Tripathy today through a video conference, reviewed possible flood situation due to incessant rain in many districts of the State. Districts namely Mayurbhanj, Balasore, Jajpur, Bhadrak, Boudh, Kendrapara and Sonepur have received maximum rain and water level in the rivers in these districts are below danger level. Chief Secretary directed the concerned Collectors and related departments to keep vigil on the situation and to take measures in war footing manner. He also directed to keep watch on embankments through patrolling and to keep ready essential commodities along with medicines. RDCs, Collectors and Senior Officers of different departments participated in the meeting.
- Hon'ble Minister, Water Resources, Information & Public Relations took stock of the possible flood situation today in a high level meeting and directed the engineers and officers of Water Resource Department to take necessary action against any unwarranted situation.
- 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. 128,63,84,000/- has been paid so far. This amount is given from Chief Minister's Relief Fund.
- From 26th August to 27th August morning, 1 no of case has been registered by the Police in the state for violation of regulations and guidelines related to COVID-19. This case is for violation of Lock Down. 8 persons have been arrested.

Health Update

- Up to midnight of 26th August, 15, 53,257 samples have been tested.
- Number of Positive Cases stands 90,986.
- 65,323 persons have already recovered/ discharged. (Today's recovery- 2510)
- No. of Death case 448.
- No of active cases are 25,162.
- 27,672 persons are in Hospital isolation.

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