PRESS RELEASE

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➤ Auspicious Car Festival (Rath Yatra) of Lord Sri Jagannath will be held this year at Shrikshetra, Puri. Hon'ble Chief Minister Sri Naveen Patnaik, in a high level meeting today, through Video Conference, reviewed preparation of the festival. Sri Asit Tripathy, Chief Secretary, Sri Abhay, DG, Police and Sri Balwant Singh, Collector, Puri and Senior Officers were present in the meeting.

➤ As per direction of Hon'ble Chief Minister Sri Naveen Patnaik, Chief Secretary and Director General, Police have gone to Puri to take stock of the situation. Necessary steps are being taken by District Administration and Municipal Authority, Puri for smooth conduct of Car Festival.

➤ Elaborate administrative preparation is going on for celebration of Rath Yatra (Car Festival), strictly adhering to COVID-19 guidelines.

➤ District Administration, Puri is making all arrangement for Live Telecast of Rath Yatra, to enable the devotees to watch it live from their home.

➤ An MoU has been signed between Addl. Chief Secretary-cum-Special Relief Commissioner on behalf of Government of Odisha and Indian Meteorological Department, Government of India for the purpose of installation of Meteorological Observatories in 15 districts of Odisha.

➤ Odia brothers and sisters are returning to Odisha every day. 1401 Odia people have returned to Odisha today. So far 5,73,672 Odias have returned to Odisha.

➤ 16,823 Temporary Medical Centres/Camps have been readied in 6798 Gram Panchayats of the State. In all these Centres, total no. of 7,67,673 beds have been arranged to provide COVID-19 health services in rural areas.

➤ From 21th June morning to 22th June morning, 9 no of cases have been registered by the Police in the state for violation of different regulations and guidelines related to COVID-19 out of which 7 cases are for violation of lock down and 2 cases for violation of Home Quarantine. 25 persons have been arrested by police for different violations.

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Health Update

- Up to midnight of 20th June, 2,27,860 samples have been tested.
- Number of Positive Cases stands 5303.
- 3863 persons have already recovered/ discharged.
- No. of Death case 15.
- No of active cases are 1419.
- 1564 people are under Hospital Isolation.

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